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COMMANDED BY

A.L. PERDUE, LIEUTENANT, U. S. N. R.

Attached to 79 Division,
40 Squadron,
14 Flotilla,
Fifth Amphibious, Pacific Fleet,

Commencing September 1, 1944,

at Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands,

and ending September 30, 1944,

at Palau Islands

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DECK LOG—LIST OF OFFICERS

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LIST OF OFFICERS ATTACHED TO AND ON BOARD THE U. S. S. L.S.T. 661, COMMANDED BY A.L. PERDUE, LIEUTENANT U. S. N. R., DURING THE PERIOD COVERED BY THIS LOG BOOK, WITH DATE OF REPORTING FOR DUTY, DETACHMENT, OR DEATH, FROM September 1 ,19 44, TO September 30 ,19 44

NAME AND FILE NUMBER (Show file No. below name)	RANK	DATE OF REPORTING ON BOARD / DATE OF DETACHMENT (Show detachment date below reporting date)	PRIMARY DUTIES	NAME, RELATIONSHIP, AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN (Show address at which BuPers may most readily communicate with next of kin in an emergency)
HARDIN, D.W. 157588	Comdr.	5-16-44 9-3-44	Comdr. LST Gp. 40	Wife: Alice T. Hardin 103 Archwood Ave, Annapolis, Maryland
PERDUE, A.L. 149628	Lieut.	4-28-44	Commanding Officer	Wife: Mrs Leon Perdue 1249 Shasta Ave. San Jose, Calif.
MCAFEE, S.K. 102785	Lieut.	4-28-44	Executive Officer Navigator	Father: Mr. Stanley K. McAfee 301 Hermitage Road Charlotte, North Carolina
STENGER, H.L. JR. 190819	Lieut(jg)	4-28-44	Communication Officer. Ass't Navigator	Wife: Mrs. Harold L. Stenger 713 No. 64th st. Philadelphia, Penn.
UPSON, J.J. 200109	Lt(jg)	4-28-44	Stores Officer.	WIFE: Mrs. Betty F. Upson 455 Locust St. Lockport, N.Y.
BALLEN, I.W. 186151	Lt(jg)	4-28-44	First Lieut. Gunnery Off.	Father: Mr. Michael Ballen 53 So. Jackson Ave. Atlantic City, N.J.
OLCZAK, E.A. 281050	Lt(jg)	5-16-44 9-3-44	Communication Officer (LST Gp. 40)	WIFE: Magdalyn L. Olczak 720 West Indiana Ave. South Bend, Indiana.
TURNER, W.P. JR. 133856	Lieut.	5-16-44	Medical Off. (LST GP. 40)	Wife: Mary W. Turner 142 Bailey Circle Greenwood, South Carolina
AUCREMANN, C.E. 127865	Lt(jg)	5-16-44	Ass't Medical Officer. LST GP. 40	Wife: Madolyn S. Aucremann Box #83 Sta. A. St. Peterburgh, Florida
NORTON, B.C. 268636	Ensign	4-28-44	Ass't 1st Lt.	Wife: Lucielle D. Norton, Jr. 532 So Windsor Blvd. Los Angeles (5), Calif.
GUSTAFSSON, R.H. 269125	Ensign	4-28-44	Engineering Officer	Wife: Evelyn R. Gustafsson 410 So. 3rd Ave. Grand Forks, South Dakota
RUCKTENWALD, E. 314260	Ensign	4-29-44 9-15-44	Officer in charge LCT (6) 858	Wife: Marion E. Ruckteнwald 2212 West Vine st. Milwaukee, Wisconsin
SHOCKEY, T.H. 332196	Ensign	4-29-44	Ass't Communication Officer	Father: Harold H. Shockey 127 Ridge Ave. Evanston, Illinois
SIDERS, J.S. 332198	Ensign	4-29-44	Ass't 1st Lieut.	Father: Cecil F. Siders 3921 Elm Silverton Cincinnatti, Ohio.
CUMMINS, C.R. 258516	Ensign	5-11-44	Attack boat Officer Ass't Gunnery	Wife: Joan S. Cummins 6109 Greenwood Ave. Chicago, (37) Illinois.
SULLIVAN, E.F. 311107	Ensign	5-11-44	Attack boat Officer Ass't Stores Officer	Wife: Marilyn J. Sullivan 8532 Forrest Ave. Elkins Park, PA.

EXAMINED AND FOUND TO BE CORRECT:

S.K. McAfee U. S. N. NAVIGATOR.
S.K. MCAFEE, LIEUT. R.

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BOURNE, Junior William (Recld. 9-23-44)	S1/c	USNR-V-6	659	34 84
ABBEY, David E.	PhM3c	USN	224	33 59
AKERMAN, Eugene S.	F1c	USNR V-6	612	10 08
ALLEN, Eugene C.	S1c	USN	376	95 62
ALMY, Guy, Jr., (n)	S1c	USNR V-6	600	35 69
ANDREWS, George E., Jr.	S2c	USNR V-6	202	77 00
AREHART, Carey D.	S1c	USNR SV V6	835	57 33
BEALL, Joseph S.	SoM3c	USNR V-6	637	85 75
BEAM, Ernest G.	SoM3c	USNR SV V6	856	93 20
BEEKMAN, William D.	TM1c(T)	USNR V-6	600	28 87
BERG, Norman H.	MM3c	USN	224	39 68
BOTT, Harry T.	SoM3c	USNR SV V6	861	91 69
BROMLEY, Charles A.	S1c	USN	202	20 30
BROWN, Raymond W.	B1c	USN	250	52 17
CHARRON, Lafayette G.	Bkr3c	USN	202	41 96
CHATHAM, James R.	RM3c(T)	USNR SV V6	893	19 67
CHAVERS, Curtis G.	S1c	USNR SV V6	838	29 50
CLARK, John E.	Cox	USNR V-6	208	69 86
COTE, Arthur R.	S1c	USNR V-6	620	39 22
DRAAYBEEK, Simon W.	S1c	USNR V-6	724	89 83
DOTSON, Harold R.	FC(R)3c	USNR SV V6	877	61 80
DOUCETTE, James W.	GM3c	USNR SV V6	801	47 20
DROUILLARD, Harry (n)	FC3c	USNR V-6	312	39 75
EGAN, Paul J.	RdM3c	USNR SV V6	850	97 39
FARRIER, Herbert E.	FC3c	USNR V-6	203	68 65
FOSTER, George J.	S1c	USN	243	89 62
FOSTER, Lester L.	TM3c	USN	723	30 86
GADDIS, Walter C.	MM2c	USN	296	11 27
HAMLET, Vernard H.	S1c	USNR V-6	659	04 23
HARMAN, Michael S.	QM3c	USNR V-6	821	42 35
HAYNES, Clarence L.	SK2c	USNR V-6	629	69 53
HERCHENROEDER, George E.	FC3c	USN	283	69 54
HERMSEN, John J.	S1c	USN	316	92 75
HILL, Orace N.	CTM(AA)	USN	268	55 79
HORTON, Charles R.	S2c	USNR SV V6	923	61 14
HOWE, James W.	MM2c	USN	202	01 13
HUTTON, Jack C.	S1c	USNR V-6	605	85 34
INGRAM, Frederick E.	S1c	USNR V-6	646	30 85
JENKINS, Newman D.	S2c	USNR SV V6	865	44 94
JEWELL, William C.	S2c	USNR SV V6	865	50 35
JOHNSON, Joseph A., Jr.	S1c(GM)	USNR V-6	761	93 54
JOHNSON, Kenneth M.	S2c	USNR SV V6	893	68 38
JOHNSON, Marshall B.	S2c(RM)	USNR SV V6	943	55 79
JOHNSTON, Paul K.	S2c	USNR SV V6	948	35 37
JONES, Quentin B.	S2c	USNR SV V6	928	62 36
KEELING, Walter T.	S2c	USNR, SV V6	865	28 22
KENNEY, Leo F.	TM2c	USNR V-6	607	95 74
KILBRIDE, Dexter B.	Bkr1c	USN	201	76 82
KITCHEN, William J.	S1c	USNR V-6	722	60 91
LA BARR, Norman F.	MM1c	USNR V-6	403	03 58
LABUS, Edward M.	S1c	USNR SV V6	805	71 16
LaCOVARA, William A.	S1c	USNR SV V6	812	49 51
LaFEMINA, Ferdinand (n)	S1c	USNR SV V6	812	40 98
LANE, Robert D.	GM3c	USNR V-6	552	14 28
LARSEN, Albert W.	RM2c	USN	376	58 89
LASHER, Ronald H.	F1c	USNR SV V6	812	48 60
LESKOVIC, John (n)	MM1c	USNR V-6	298	95 90
LETSINGER, Claude I, Jr.,	F1c	USNR SV V6	827	88 05
LETTENBERGER, Robert N.	S2c	USNR SV V6	812	41 78
LEVINE, Seymour (n)	S1c	USNR SV V6	812	43 34
LEWIS, Boyd F.	S2c	USNR SV V6	805	70 41
LEWIS, Donald H.	S1c	USNR SV V6	800	61 40
LILLICO, Jack Irvine	S1c	USNR SV V6	805	70 43
LONG, Herbert Charles	S1c	USN	300	79 67
LORENZOTTI, Alfred L.	S1c	USNR SV V6	820	69 60
LORETTA, Anthony F.	S1c	USNR SV V6	812	43 95
LOVELETTE, Marshall K.	TM1c	USNR V-6	642	22 60
LUTZ, William M.	S2c	USNR SV V6	820	51 60
MACHELINE, William (n)	S1c	USNR SV V6	812	43 39
X MacKINNON, John J. TRANS. 9-28-44	S1c	USNR V-6	706	98 25
Rachel, Edmund Parke	WT3c	USN SV	808	85 55
Humphreys, Jack Eldridge	FC(R)3c	USNR SV V6	828	25 36

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MacLACHLAN, William (n)	F2c	USNR V-6	245	84	30
MAHONEY, John E.	S1c	USNR SV V6	800	55	69
MAINE, Everett E.	S1c	USNR SV V6	800	60	55
MANUS, Paul P.	S2c	USNR V-6	256	54	68
MAPLE, Charles J.	S2c(QM)	USNR V-6	293	16	62
MARICLE, Arthur G.	GM3c	USNR SV V6	861	05	21
MARKOWSKI, Harry W.	S1c	USNR SV V6	800	55	68
MARMORA, Angelo J.	SC3c	USNR SV V6	812	41	05
MARTONE, Joseph (n)	S1c	USN	244	25	73
MARVIN, Raymond J.	S1c	USNR SV V6	822	60	13
MASARACCHIA, Joseph F.	S2c	USNR SV V6	812	44	76
MATHER, John H.	SoM3c	USN	552	50	19
MATTHEWS, Paul R.	S2c	USNR SV V6	829	12	94
MAUGHMER, Major L.	S1c	USNR V-6	612	73	26
MAURHOFF, Elmer J.	S1c	USNR SV V6	822	60	91
McCADDEN, Albert J.	S2c	USNR SV V6	826	98	53
McCANN, Andrew T.	S2c	USNR SV V6	812	43	96
McCARTY, Edward C.	S1c	USNR V-6	245	84	31
McCAULEY, Charles	S1c	USNR V-6	601	43	13
McDERMITT, Howard L.	S1c	USNR SV V6	835	78	60
McGOVERN, John J.	S1c(FC)	USNR V-6	761	75	43
McKISSIC, Sidney Albert	S2c	USNR V-6	637	44	67
McLARNEY, Joseph A.	S1c	USNR V-6	249	97	09
McLOUGHLIN, Charles J.	S1c	USNR SV V6	812	49	53
X McMAHON, Paul C. Trans. 9-28-44	S1c	USNR SV V6	822	60	21
McWILLIAMS, James M.	S1c	USN	245	84	14
MEADOWS, Lonnie R.	F2c	USNR SV V6	828	58	98
MEDLEY, Horace (n)	S1c	USNR SV V6	823	72	58
MERKL, Robert E.	S2c	USNR V6	609	34	81
MICALE, Carmelo (n)	S2c	USNR SV V6	812	48	64
MILANO, Victor A.	S2c	USNR SV V6	817	98	78
MILIUS, Joseph P.	S2c	USNR V-6	601	43	10
MILLER, Algie F.	S1c	USNR V-6	659	78	12
MILLER, Henry W.	S2c	USNR SV V6	800	54	98
MILLS, Reynold J.	S2c	USN	205	50	61
MINTON, William A.	S1c	USNR V-6	659	64	36
MINTZES, Nathan (n)	S1c	USNR SV V6	812	44	49
MISLER, Jacob J.	S1c	USNR SV V6	826	98	92
MITCHELL, Eugene N.	S2c	USNR V-6	245	84	09
MOORE, Harry D.	RdM3c	USNR SV V6	826	99	05
X MOTON, Richard Odell-Trans. 9-28-44	SK3c	USNR SV V6	835	78	34
MOYER, Paul Daniel	S1c	USNR SV V6	820	52	78
O'CONNOR, Daniel T.	F1c	USNR V-6	203	42	54
O'DELL, James E.	F1c	USNR V-6	667	12	57
O'LEARY, Francis M.	F1c	USN	212	75	49
PASTORE, Vincent J.	Cox(T)	USNR V-6	647	42	75
PERRYMAN, Thomas T.	S2c	USNR V-6	605	82	15
PIECHOWIAK, Arthur R.	F2c	USNR V-6	313	15	65
PLOTNER, John C.	S1c	USNR V-6	621	86	12
RAMSEY, John C.	CBM(AA)(T)	USNR V-6	272	13	59
SANDERSON, Waller E.	SM2c	USNR V-6	668	66	67
SANTOS, Arthur (n)	MM2c	USNR V-6	606	16	90
SARA, William C.	MM2c	USNR SV V6	808	87	68
SERDINAK, Steve R.	WT2c	USN	283	66	00
SMITH, David C.	BM2c	USN	300	53	75
SMITH, Marion F.	S2c	USNR SV V6	966	58	99
SMITH, James E.	S1c	USNR SV V6	830	48	78
SMITH, John J.	S2c	USNR SV V6	867	67	12
STUART, Frank D.	S1c	USNR V-6	626	45	53
SWAN, Walter H., Jr.	TM3c	USNR V-6	205	31	53
SWEENEY, Paul J.	MM2c	USN	202	12	51
THORNTON, Raymond S.	MM1c	USN	336	75	49
TURTON, Raymond R.	GM3c	USNR V-6	646	46	68
THOMAS, John W.	S2c	USNR SV V6	866	36	97
WILLIAMS, Wayne A.	Cox	USN	312	03	72
WHITE, Franklin A.	S1c	USNR V-6	659	10	71
WOODS, Joseph R.	SC2c	USNR V-6	400	64	11
MARKUS, Robert (n)	S1c	USNR SV V6	835	78	56
BRANDT, Adrian M.	MM2c	USN	300	07	11

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UNITED STATES SHIP LST 661 Friday (Day) 1 Sept. (Date) (Month), 19 44

0000-0400

0000 Anchored in berth 69 off Phopago, Guadalcanal, SolomonIslands in 22 fathoms of water with 90 fathoms of chain out, and on the following bearings: Beacon A:202°t, Red shore light:229°t, Signal Searchlight 189°t.

0345 Darkened ship maintained throughout watch. Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) Ballen. No further remarks.

E.F. Sullivan
Ensign USNR

0400-0800

0400 Anchored as before.

0415 Made preparations for getting underway to White Rock Cove, Florida Island.

0455 Underway from Guadalcanal to White Rock Cove, Florida Island on course 000°t, 001°pgc, 342°psc, speed 5 knots, 140 rpm.

0530 Changed speed to 7 knots, 190 rpm.

0629 Changed course to 020°t, 021°pgc, 004°psc.

0656 Changed course to 040°t,041°pgc,028°psc.

0700 Changed course to 060°t,061°pgc,052°psc.

0710 Changed speed to 5 knots, 140 rpm.

0722 Underway on various courses and speeds on the approach to Purvis Bay.

0745 Anchored at White Rock Cove, Florida Islands with 60 fathom in 25 fathoms of water on the following bearings: Beacon C: 055°t,Beacon w: 025°t;Beacon A:001°t.

0745 Watch properly relieved by Ensign Norton.

I.W. Ballen
Lt.(jg) USNR

0800-1200

0800 Anchored as before.

1200 Watch properly relieved by ~~Ensign~~ Rucktenwald.

B.C. Norton Jr.
Ensign USNR

1200-1600

1200 Anchored as before.

1340 Fresh Provisions listed on invoice number 369-P-45 from USS Peter Burnet taken aboard, Inspected as to quality by ROBBINS, C.M. PhM2/c 351 04 50 and as to quantity by HENDRICKS E.P. CCS 291 61 04.

1545 Watch properly relieved by Ensign Siders.

E. Rucktenwald.
Ensign USNR

1600-2000

1600 Anchored as before.

1945 Watch properly relieved by Ensign T.H. Shockey, USNR. No further remarks.

J.S. Siders
Ensign USNR

2000-2400

2000 Anchored as before in Walnut Rock Cove, anchorage bearings: Beacon C 005°t, Beacon W 025°t, Beacon A 001°t.

2400 Watch properly relieved by H.L. Stenger Lt.(jg) USNR. No further remarks.

T.H. Shockey
Ensign USNR

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

A.L. Perdue, Lieut. U.S.N.R. COMMANDING. S.K. McAfee, Lieut. U.S.N.R. NAVIGATOR

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UNITED STATES SHIP LST 661 Saturday (Day) 2 (Date) September (Month), 1944

0000-0400

0000 Anchored in White Rock Cove, off entrance to Purvis Bay, Florida Island, in 25 fathoms of water, with 60 fathoms of chain on the bow anchor, on the following bearings: Beacon A 001°t, Beacon W 025°t, Beacon C 055°t.
0345 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt.(jg) USNR

0400-0800

0400 Anchored as before.
0515 Called away Special Sea Detail.
0530 All divisions reported readiness for getting underway.
0537 Underway on various courses and speeds through the approaches of Purvis Bay. Executive Officer on the conn, the Captain on the bridge.
0610 Set courses 175°t,176°pgc,174°psc, speed 7 knots, 190 rpm.
0628 Changed speed to 10 knots, 270 rpm.
0740 Changed speed to 2/3 ahead, 7 knots, 190 rpm.
0745 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) I.W. Ballen USNR. No further remarks.

J.J. Upson
J.J. Upson
Lt.(jg) USNR

0800-1200

0800 Underway as before.
0811 Anchored off Tetere Point, Guadalcanal, Solomons in 19 fathoms of water. 65 fathoms of chain on the following bearings: Beacon J, 241°t, Beacon A, 268°t, Beacon K, 145°t.
0831 Small Boat #3 left for USS LST 225.
0845 Small Boat #3 returned to the ship.
1145 Watch properly relieved by Ensign Cummins.

I.W. Ballen
I.W. Ballen
Lt.(jg) USNR

1200-1600

1200 Anchored as before.
1338 Gooderham, Verner E. , Ensign SC, V(G) 286190, transferred to U.S. Fleet Hospital 108.
1545 Watch properly relieved by Ensign Norton.

C.R. Cummins
C.R. Cummins
Ensign USNR

1600-2000

1600 Anchored as before.
1945 Watch properly relieved by Ensign Rucktenwald.

B.C. Norton Jr.
B.C. Norton Jr
Ensign USNR

2000-2400

2000 Anchored as before.
2345 Watch properly relieved by Ensign Siders.

E. Rucktenwald
E. Rucktenwald.
Ensign USNR

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

A.L. Perdue
A.L. Perdue, Lieut. U.S.N.R. COMMANDING.

S.K. McAfee
S.K. McAfee, Lieut. U.S.N.R. NAVIGATOR

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UNITED STATES SHIP LST 661 Sunday (Day) 3 (Date) September (Month), 19 44

0000-0400

0000 Anchored as before off of Tetire, Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands in 19 fathoms of water with 65 fathoms of chain on the bow anchor on the following bearings: Beacon J: 241°t, Beacon A: 268°t, Beacon K: 145°t.
0345 Watch properly relieved by Ensign T.H. Shockey USNR. No further remarks.

J.S. Siders
Ensign USNR

0400-0800

0400 Anchored as before off Tetire, Guadalcanal.
0745 Watch properly relieved by H.L. Stenger, Lt.(jg) USNR. No further remarks.

T.H. Shockey
Ensign USNR

0800-1200

0800 Anchored as before. Mustered crew on stations. No absentees.
0810 Small boats #2 and #4 despatched to USS Hazelwood for duty.
0955 A Deck Court, Lt. Stanley K. McAfee, Jr. USNR, met to try the case of GENT, Frederick John, Jr. MoMM2/c, 207,41 17, USN and adjourned at 0958.
1040 Pursuant to verbal orders, Com Group 5 Philspac, CTG 32:13, and Com LST Group 40, of 26 August 1944, Lt.(jg) E.A. Olczak and a draft of six men in charge of RISSONE, Frank E. 886 48 02, CY(AA) V6 SV left the ship to report aboard USS LST 687 for temporary duty on tha staff of Com LST Group 40 and CTU 32:13:6. The following men were included in the draft: COLEMAN, Eddie L. 831 77 00, StM2/c, V6 SV., GRAVES, ROBERT W. 807 25 71 RM3/c, USN-I, LEMIEUX, Mark J. 606 77 26, SM2/c, M-2, RISSONE, Frank E. 886 48 02 CY(AA)(T) V6SV, ROGERS, Peter M. 646 27 27 RM1/c V6, SAGISI, Peter S. 707 27 20, CK1/c V-6.
1145 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) T.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt.(jg) USNR

1200-1600

1200 Anchored as before.
1545 Watch properly relieved. No further remarks.

T.J. Upson
Lt.(jg) USNR

1600-2000

1600 Anchored as before.
1945 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) Ballen. No further remarks.

E.F. Sullivan
Ensign USNR

2000-2400

2000 Anchored as before.
2115 Small Boat #2 and #4 returned from the Hazelwood.
2345 Watch properly relieved by Ensign Cummins.

I.W. Ballen
Lt.(jg) USNR

APPROVED: A.L. Perdue, Lieut. U.S.N.R. COMMANDING.

EXAMINED: S.K. McAfee, Lieut. U.S.N.R. NAVIGATOR

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UNITED STATES SHIP LST 661 Monday (Day) 4 (Date) September (Month), 1944

0000-0400

0000 Anchored as before off Tetere, Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands in 19 fathoms of water with 65 fathoms of chain on the bow anchor on the following bearings: Beacon J:241°t, Beacon A: 268°t, Beacon K: 145°t.
0345 Watch properly relieved by Ensign Norton.

C.R. Cummins
Ensign USNR

0400-0800

0400 Anchored as before.
0745 Watch properly relieved by Ensign Rusktenwald.

B.C. Norton Jr.
Ensign USNR

0800-1200

0800 Anchored as before.
0815 Made all preparations for getting underway.
0858 Underway from Guadalcanal at various courses and speeds to operations at Palau Islands, Cruising disposition in accordance with ComLST Flot.13 No. 944.
0904 Set Condition One.
1025 Secured from Condition One.
1030 Set base course 320°t,321°pgc, 301°psc, speed 9 knots, 240 rpm.
1030 Exercised at Abandon Ship Drill.
1050 Secured from Abandon Ship Drill.
1111 Increased speed to 9.5 knots, 260 rpm.
1200 Watch properly relieved by Ensign Siders.

E. Rucktenwald
E.Rucktenwald.
Ensign USNR

1200-1600

1200 Underway as before on base course 320°t,321°pgc,301°psc, speed 9.5 knots,260 rpm
1300 Changed course to 355°t,336°pgc,338°psc.
1330 Changed course to 034°t,035°pgc,021°psc.
1356 Called away fire party to investigate smoke on the main deck.
1359 Fire party was secured.
1500 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) H.L. Stenger,USNR. No further remarks.

J.S. Siders
J.S. Siders
Ensign USNR

1600-1800

1600 Underway as before on course 034°t,035°pgc,021°psc, speed standard, 260 rpm, to make good 9.5 knots.
1605 Changed course to 352°t,353°pgc,332°psc.
1620 Changed speed to 200 rpm, 2/3, to make good 7.5 knots.
1625 Changed speed to Standard, 240 rpm, to make good 9 knots.
1644 St. Isabel Island abeam to port.
1647 Changed course to 002°t,003°pgc, 342°psc.
1719 Changed course to 009°t,010°pgc, 349°psc.
1745 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt.(jg) USNR

1800-2000

1800 Underway as before on course 010°pgc,019°t,349°psc, speed 10 knots, 270 rpm.
1808 Ramas Island abean to starboard.
1819 Exercised at General Quarters.
1945 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) I.W. Ballen, USNR.

J.J. Upson
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Lt.(jg) USNR

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2000-2400

2000 Underway as before on course 000°t, 001°pgc, 336°psc, speed 10 knots, 270 rpm.
2240 Changed course to 308°pgc, 307°t, 294°psc.
2345 Watch properly relieved by Ensign Norton.

I.W. Ballen
Lt.(jg) USNR

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Tuesday (Day) 5 (Date) September (Month), 1944

0000-0400

0000 Underway from Guadalcanal to Palau Islands on course 306°t, 307°pgc, 289° psc, speed 9 knots, 240 rpm.
0345 Watch properly relieved by Ensign Siders.

B.C. Norton Jr.
Ensign USNR

0400-0800

0400 Underway as before on base course 306°t,307°pgc,289°psc, speed 9.5 knots, 265 rpm.
0523 Exercised at General Quarters, Lt.(jg) H.L. Stenger at the conn, Executive Officer on the bridge.
0623 Secured from General Quarters.
0745 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) H.L. Stenger USNR. No further remarks.

J.S. Siders
Ensign USNR

0800-1200

0800 Underway as before on course 306°t,307°pgc,289°psc, speed 265 to make good 9.5 knots
0800 Mustered crew on stations. No absentees.
0903 Energized IFF. Secured IFF at 0908.
0941 Changed speed to 1/3,140 rpm, to make good 5 knots.
1026 Began zin-zagging in accordance with Plan #6. Changed course to 326°t,327 pgc.
1031 Changed speed to Standard, 250 rpm to make good 9 knots, Changed course to 301°t,302°pgc.
1040 Changed course to 276°t, 277°pgc. 1047:Changed course to 266°t,267°pgc.
1055 Changed course to 306°t,307°pgc. 1105: Changed course to 346°t,347°pgc.
1113 Changed course to 336°t,337°pgc. 1120: Changed course to 311°t,312°pgc.
1130 Changed course to 286°t,287°pgc. 1147: Changed course to 326°t,327°pgc.
1200 Changed course to 286°t,287°pgc.
1200 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) J.J. Upson USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt.(jg) USNR

1200-1600

1200 Zigzagging according to Plan #6. Standard speed 250 rpm, 9 knots., course 286°t,287°pgc.
1213 Changed course to 324°t,325°pgc,changed speed to 245 rpm.
1231 Changed course to 301°t, 302°pgc.1240:Changed course to 276°t,277°pgc.
1247 Changed course to 266°t,267°pgc.1255:Changed course to 306°t,307°pgc.
1305 Changed course to 346°t,347°pgc.1313:Changed course to 336°t,337°pgc.
1320 Changed course to 311°t,312°pgc.1330:Changed course to 286°t,287°pgc,zigzagging secured.
1336 Changed course to 297°t,298°pgc.1340:Changed course to 303°t,304°pgc.
1425 Changed speed to 9 knots 230 rpm.1426:Changed course to 306°t,307°pgc.
1427 Took interval of 800 yards.
1440 Increased revolutions to 240.
1500 Commenced zigzagging according to Plan #6,Course 306°t,307°pgc.
1509 Changed course to 346°t,347°pgc.1517:All engines ahead standard, 9 knots.
1520 Changed course to 311°t,312°pgc.1530:Changed course to 286°t,287°pgc.
1547 Changed course to 326°t,327°pgc.1600:Changed course to 286°t,287°pgc.
1600 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) I.W. Ballen USNR.

J.J. Upson
Lt.(jg) USNR

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0000-0400

0000 Underway as before from Guadalcanal to Pelau, speed 9 knots, 245 rpm, course 306°t,307°pgc, 290°psc.
0202 Changed speed to 250 rpm.
0348 Changed course to 325°t,326°pgc,318°psc.
0355 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) I.W. Ballen, USNR.

L.J. Upson
Lt.(jg) USNR.

0400-0800

0400 Underway as before on course 325°t,326°pgc,318°psc, speed 9 knots, 245 rpm.
0530 Commenced zigzag plan #6 Z.
0745 Watch properly relieved by Ensign Norton.

I.W. Ballen
Lt.(jg) USNR

0800-1200

0800 Underway on course 325°t,326°pgc,319°psc, speed 9 knots, 240 rpm, conforming with zigzag plan #6.
0859 Ceased zigzag plan #6, steady on course 325°t,326°pgc,309°psc.
0915 Commenced zigzaging by flag hoist originated by Sopus.
0915 Convened Captain's Mast A.L. Perdue, Lieut. USNR, presiding., met to try cases of DIZZEBA, M.A. S2c, 836 90 09, USNR and GIOVANETTI, C.A. S2/c, 942 56 74 USNR.
0930 Captain's Mast adjourned, both men awarded Deck Court Martials.
1015 Ceased zigzagging by flag hoist and commenced zigzagging by plan #6.
1100 Held General Drills.
1130 Secured from General Drills.
1200 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) Stenger, USNR.

B.C. Norton Jr.
Ensign USNR

1200-1600

1200 Underway as before, zigzagging in accordance with Plan #6, base course 325°t,326°pgc, steering course 305°t,306°pgc, 291°psc, speed standard, 240 rpm to make good 9 knots.
1213 Changed course to 345°t, 346°pgc. 1230:Changed course to 320°t,321°pgc.
1240 Changed course to 295°t,296°pgc,1247:Changed course to 285°t,286°pgc.
1255 Changed course to 325°t,326°pgc, 1305:Changed course to 005°t,006°pgc.
1313 Changed course to 355°t,356°pgc, 1320:Changed course to 330°t,331°pgc.
1338 Ceased zigzagging. Resumed base course 325°t,326°pgc.
1344 Changed course to 010°t,011°pgc, Began tactical maneuvers.
1352 Changed course to 280°t,281°pgc. 1407:Changed course to 325°t,326°pgc, Ceased tactical maneuvers.
1419 Commenced zigzagging in accordance with Plan #6. Changed course to 345° t,346°pgc.
1430 Changed course to 320°t,321°pgc. 1440:Changed course to 295°t,296°pgc.
1447 Changed course to 285°t,286°pgc. 1455:Changed course to 325°t,326°pgc.
1505 Changed course to 005°t,006°pgc. 1513:Changed course to 355°t,356°pgc.
1520 Changed course to 330°t,331°pgc. 1530:Changed course to 305°t,306°pgc.
1545 Watch properly relieved by Ensign J.S. Siders, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger Jr.
Lt.(jg) USNR

1600-1800

1600 Underway as before on base course 325°t,326°pgc, 309°psc, speed standard, 9 knots, 230 rpm, conforming to zigzag plan number 6.
1745 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) I.W. Ballen, USNR. No further remarks.

J.S. Siders
Ensign USNR

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1800-2000

1800 Underway as before on course 326°pgc, 325°t, 310°psc, speed 9 knots, 235 rpm.
1837 Ceased zigzag plan #6 Z.
1930 Ship's clocks set back 1/2 hour in zone 10 time.
1945 Watch properly relieved by Ensign Norton.

I.W. Ballen
Lt.(jg) USNR

2000-2400

2000 Underway on course 326°pgc, 325°t, 309°psc, speed 9 knots, 240 rpm.
2045 Changed course to 296°pgc, 295°t, 283°psc.
2345 Watch properly relieved by Ensign J.S. Siders.

B.C. Norton Jr.
Ensign USNR

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UNITED STATES SHIP LST 661 Thursday (Day) 7 (Date) September (Month), 1944

0000-0400

0000 Underway as before from Guadalcanal to Palau on course 294°pgc, 293° t, 280°psc, speed standard 9 knots, 230 rpm.
0333 USS LST 225 broke down and veered out of column to starboard.
0345 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

J.S. Siders
Ensign USNR

0400-0800

0400 Undeeway as before on course 295°t, 296°pgc, speed 9 knots 230 rpm.
0445 USS LST 225 maneuvered into position and assumed guide.
0506 Began zigzagging according to plan #6.
0755 Watch properly relieved by Lt. (jg) I.W. Ballen, USNR.

J.J. Upson
Lt.(jg) USNR

0800-1200

0800 Underway as before on course 296°pgc, 295°t, 283°psc.
0800 Proceeding in accordance with zigzagging Plan #6.
0945 Ceased zigzag plan #6 and proceeded on courses and speeds as directed by buide ship.
1150 Commenced zigzag plan #6.
1155 Watch properly relieved by Ensign Norton.

I.W. Ballen
Lt.(jg) USNR

1200-1600

1200 Underway as before on base course 295°t, 296°pgc, 283°psc, speed 9 knots, 240 rpm, maneuvering according to zigzag plan #6.
1241 Ceased zigzagging by plan #6, commenced zigzagging by flag hoist.
1420 Ceased maneuvering by flag hoist, commenced zigzagging by plan #6.
1545 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) Stenger, USNR.

B.C. Norton Jr.
Ensign USNR

1600-1800

1600 Underway as before, zigzagging in accordance with Plan #6, base course 295°t, 296°pgc, steering course 275°t, 276°pgc, speed 225 rpm to make good 8.5 knots.
1613 Changed course to 315°t, 316°pgc. 1630: Changed course to 290°t, 296°pgc.
1640 Changed course to 265°t, 266°pgc. 1647: Changed course to 255°t, 256°pgc,.
1655 Changed course to 295°t, 296°pgc. 1705: Changed course to 335°t, 336°pgc.
1713 Changed course to 325°t, 326°pgc. 1720: Changed course to 300°t, 301°pgc.
1730 Changed course to 275°t, 276°pgc. 1747: Changed course to 315°t, 316°pgc.
1750 Watch properly relieved by Ensign J.S. Siders, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt.(jg) USNR

1800-2000

1800 Underway as before, zigzagging in accordance with plan #6, base course 295°t, 296°pgc, steering course 315°t, 316°pgc, speed 225 rpm to make good 8.5 knots.
1802 Changed course to 275°t, 276°pgc, 265°psc.
1817 Changed course to 316°pgc, 315°t, 308°psc.
1835 Changed course to 290°pgc, 289°t, 280°psc.
1837 Secured from zigzagging and set base course 295°t, 296°pgc, 283°psc.
1930 All ship's clocks set back thirty minutes, ship now keeping minus 9½ time in minus 10 zone.
1911 USS LST 225 broke down.

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1911 Changed course to 286°t,287°pgc, in order to avoid USS LST 225.
1912 Changed course to 295°pgc, 294°t,.
1921 Changed course to 300°pgc, 299°t.
1925 Changed course to 305°pgc, 304°t.
1926 Changed course to 295°pgc,294°t, resumed station in convoy.
1945 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) I.W. Ballen, USNR.
No further remarks.

J.S. Siders
Ensign USNR

2000-2400

2000 Underway as before on course 295°t,296°pgc,283.5°psc, speed 9 knots, 230 rpm.
2245 Changed course to 245°t,246°pgc, 239°psc.
2330 Changed course to 285°t,286°pgc, 277°psc.
2345 Watch properly relieved by Ensign Norton.

I.W. Ballen
Lt.(jg) USNR

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0000-0400

0000 Underway from Guadalcanal to Palau Islands on course 285°t, 286°pgc, 274°psc, speed 9 knots, 240 rpm.
0345 Watch properly relieved by Ensign Siders, USNR.

B.C. Norton Jr.
Ensign USNR.

0400-0800

0400 Underway as before on course 285°t, 286°pgc, 276°psc, speed 7.5 knots, 200 rpm.
0435 Commenced zigzagging in accordance with zigzag plan #6.
0435 Changed course to 254°t, 255°pgc, 248°psc. 0450: Changed course to 244°t, 245°pgc, 238°psc. 0500: Changed course to 286°pgc, 265°t, 276°psc. 0506: Changed course to 322°t, 323°pgc, 0523: Changed course to 289°t, 290°pgc, 280°psc.
0531 Changed course to 265°t, 266°pgc, 256°psc. 0550: Changed course to 305°t, 306°pgc, 294°psc. 0600: Changed course to 268°t, 269°pgc, 259°psc. 0615: Changed course to 305°t, 306°pgc, 294°psc. 0632: Changed course to 279°t, 280°pgc, 270°psc.
0642 Changed course to 255°t, 256°pgc, 247°psc. 0659: Changed course to 269°t, 270°pgc, 260°psc. 0700: Changed course to 288°pgc, 287°t, 277°psc. 0708: Changed course to 289°t, 290°pgc, 280°psc. to 324°t, 325°pgc, 312°psc. 0721: Changed course to 271°t, 272°pgc. 0748: Changed course to 304°t, 305°pgc, 298°psc.
0731 Changed course to 309°t, 310°pgc. 0755: Changed speed to 140 rpm to make good
0754 five knots.
0756 Changed course to 306°pgc, 305°t. 0758: Changed speed to 200 rpm to make good 7.5 Knots.
0800 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) J.J. Upson. No further remarks.

J.S. Siders
Ensign USNR

0800-1200

0800 Underway as before, speed 2/3., 7 knots, 200 rpm. Maneuvering in accordance with zigzag plan #6.
0900 Stopped zigzagging and began maneuvering according to flag hoist.
0913 USS LCI 736 came alongside to starboard to take off official mail.
0916 USS LCI 736 finished exchange of mail and pulled away from starboard side.
1207 Ceased maneuvering and set base course of 285°t, 286°pgc, 274°psc.
1210 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) I.W. Ballen, USNR.

J.J. Upson
Lt.(jg) USNR.

1200-1600

1200 Underway as before on course 285°t, 286°pgc, 274°psc.
1245 Executing courses and speed directed by USS LST 222 by flag hoist.
1500 Resumed zigzagging according to plan #7.
1545 Watch properly relieved by H.L. Stenger, Lt.(jg) USNR.

I.W. Ballen
Lt.(jg) USNR.

1600-1800

1600 Underway as before, zigzagging in accordance with Plan #7, from base course of 285°t, 286°pgc, 274°psc, speed 210 rpm to make good 8 knots.
1733 Darkened ship.
1745 Watch properly relieved by Ensign B.C. Norton, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt.(jg) USNR.

1800-2000

1800 Underway on base course 285°t, 286°pgc, 274°psc, speed 9 knots, 240 rpm. Maneuvering according to zigzag plan #7.
1815 Ceased maneuvering by plan #7.
1930 Set ship's clocks back 1/2 hour to minus ten zone time. 1945: Watch properly relieved by Ensign Siders. B.C. Norton Jr. Ensign USNR.

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2000-2400

2000 Underway as before on base course 285°t,286°pgc,274°psc, speed 7.5 knots, 200 rpm.

2400 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) J.J. Upson USNR.
No further remarks.

J.S. Siders.
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0000-0400

0000 Underway as before from Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, to Palau on course 285°t,286°pgc, 278°psc, speed 2/3, 7 knots, 210 rpm.
0345 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) I.W. Ballen, USNR. No further remarks.

F.J. Upson
Lt.(jg) USNR

0400-0800

0400 Underway as before on course 285°t,286°pgc,278°psc,speed 7 knots,210 rpm.
0415 Commenced zigzag plan #7.
0745 Watch properly relieved by Ensign Norton.

I.W. Ballen
Lt.(jg) USNR

0800-1200

0800 Underway on course 285°t,286°pgc,276°psc, speed 2/3 ahead, 200 rpm, maneuvering according to zigzag plan #7.
0840 Ceased maneuvering according to plan #6 and zigzag by flag hoist from fleet guide.
0930 Ceased maneuvering by flag hoist from fleet guide and zigzagged by plan #6 and assumed base course of 105°t,106°pgc, 111°psc.
0935 Increased speed to 9.5 knots, 260 rpm.
1030 Ceased zigzagging by plan #6 and commenced zigzagging by flag hoist from fleet guide.
1100 Ceased zigzaging by plan #6.
1118 Held General Drills.
1129 Secured General Drills.
1142 Called General Quarters.
1200 Secured from General Quarters.
1225 Ceased maneuvering by plan #6 and commenced maneuvering by flag hoist from fleet guide.
1230 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) Stenger.

B.C. Norton Jr.
Ensign USNR

1200-1600

1230 Underway as before, deployed in Cruising Disposition #1 in accordance with Com LST Flot 13 Movement Order 9-44, engaged in tactical maneuvers from a base course of 105°t,106°pgc, 111°psc, fleet guide USS LST 222. Speed 8 knots, 215 rpm.
1238 Set base course 285°t,286°pgc.
1316 Commenced zigzagging in accordance with plan #6.
1332 Ceased zigzagging and resumed base course 285°t,286°pgc.
1415 Called away General Quarters in preparation for practice AA firing.
1450 Commenced maneuvering into Cruising Disposition, #3 com LST Flot 13 movement Order 9-44.
1522 Commenced firing Port AA batteries. Ceased firing at 1526. Expended 109 rounds 40mm and 342 rounds 20mm ammunition. No casualties.
1526 Secured from General Quarters.
1541 USS LST 225, unit guide, reports steering casualty. Maneuvering on various courses and speeds to circle to port and resume station in disposition.
1550 Watch properly relieved by Ensign J.S. Siders., USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
H.L. Stenger Jr.
Lt.(jg) USNR

1600-1800

1600 Underway as before on base course 285°t,286°pgc,276°psc, steering course 305°pgc 304°t,291°psc, speed 7 knots, 188 rpm.
1620 Maneuvering at various courses and speeds to regain station in convoy.
1656 Changed course to 304°t,305°pgc,291.5°psc, .
1730 Changed speed to 7.5 knots, 200 rpm.

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1745 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) J.J. Upson, USNR.
No further remarks.

J.S. Siders
Ensign USNR

1800-2000

1800 Underway as before, course 304°t,305°pgc,291.5°psc, speed 7.5 knots, 200 rpm.
1801 Marine security reported chains on LVT's secure.
1901 Marine security reported chains on LVT's secure.
1945 USS LST 225 500 yds. off port quarter, maneuvering into position.
1950 Watch properly relieved by Ensign B.C. Norton, USNR.

J.J. Upson
Lt.(jg) USNR

2000-2400

2000 Underway on course 304°t,305°pgc, 291.5°psc, speed 7.5 knots, 200 rpm.
2100 LCT and LVT chains reported secure.
2200 LCT and LVT chains reported secure.
2300 LCT and LVT chains reported secure.
2345 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) Ballen.

B.C. Norton Jr.
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UNITED STATES SHIP LST 661 Sunday (Day) 10 (Date) September (Month), 1944

0000-0400

0000 Underway from Guadalcanal to Palau Islands on course 285°t,286°pgc,273° psc, speed 7 knots, 205 rpm.
0345 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) Upson.

I.W. Ballen
Lt.(jg) USNR.

0400-0800

0400 Underway as before on course 305°t,306°pgc,292°psc, speed 7 knots, 205 rpm.
0400 Changed course to 285°t,286°pgc,272°psc.
0425 Began zigzagging according to plan #6.
0720 Ceased zigzagging.
0720 Changed speed to 200 rpm., course 285°t,286°pgc,272°psc.
0745 Watch properly relieved by Ensign J.S. Siders, USNR.

J.J. Upson
Lt.(jg) USNR.

0800-1200

0800 Underway as before on base course 285°t,286°pgc,272°psc, speed 7 knots, 190 rpm.
0900 A Deck Court, Lieut. S.K. McAfee, USNR, met to try the cases of DIZEBBA, M.A., S2c, 836 90 09, and GIOVONETTI, C.A. S2c, 942 56 74.
0900 USS LST 225 broke down and veered out of colunm to starboard.
0910 Commenced maneuvering by flag hoist signals.
0917 The Deck Court which met at 0900 adjourned.
1000 Changed speed to 7.5 knots, 200 rpm.1017:Changed speed to 5 knots, 140 rpm.
1020 Changed speed to 7.5 knots, 200 rpm.1100:Exercised at General Drills.
1110 Secured from General Drills.1100:Changed speed to 7 knots, 190 rpm.
1145 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) H.L. Stenger, USNR. No further remarks.

J.S. Siders
Ensign USNR.

1200-1600

1200 Underway as before, maneuvering in Cruising Disposition #1 from a base course of 285°t,286°pgc,275°psc. Base speed 7 knots, 190 rpm. USS LST 222 is formation guide.
1352 Commenced zigzagging in accordance with Plan #6. Changed speed to 8 knots, 215 rpm.
1428 Ceased zigzagging. Resumed base course 285°t,286°pgc.
1439 Commenced zigzagging according to Plan #6.
1550 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) I.W. Ballen, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt.(jg) USNR.

1600-1800

1600 Underway as before on course 285°t,286°pgc,256°psc, speed 8.5 knots, 240 rpm.
1600 Zigzagging in accordance with Plan #6.
1745 Watch properly relieved by Ensign Norton.

I.W. Ballen
Lt.(jg) USNR.

1800-2000

1800 Underway on course 285°t,286°pgc,273°psc,speed 8.5 knots, 240 rpm. Maneuvering according to zigzag plan #6, .LCT and LVP chains reported secure.
1806 Ceased Plan #6 and assumed base course 285°t,286°pgc,273°psc, reduced speed to 8 knots, 220 rpm.
1900 Chains on LCT and LVP's reported secure.
1945 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) Upson.

B.C. Norton Jr.
Ensign USNR.

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ADDITIONAL REMARKS

2000-2400

2000 Underway as before on course 285°t,286°pgc, speed 8.5 knots, 230 rpm.
2030 Decreased revolutions to 220 rpm.
2306 Increased revolutions to 225 rpm.
2345 Watch properly relieved by Ensign J.S. Siders, USNR.

J.J. Upson.
Lt.(jg) USNR.

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0000-0400

0000 Underway as before from Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands to Palau Islands on base course 285°t,286°psc, steering course 287°t,288°psc, speed 8 knots, 212 rpm.
0345 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) I.W. Ballen USNR.

J.S. Siders
Ensign USNR

0400-0800

0400 Underway as before on course 285°t,286°pgc,276°psc, speed 8 knots, 215 rpm.
0435 Commenced zigzag in accordance with plan #6.
0715 Ceased zigzag plan #6.
0745 Watch properly relieved by Ensign Norton.

I.W. Ballen
Lt.(jg) USNR

0800-1200

0810 Underway on course 285°t,286°pgc,276°psc. Speed 8 knots, 215 rpm, changed course to 275°t,276°pgc,266°psc, LCT and LVT chains reported secure.
0840 Commenced zigzagging by flag hoist.
0900 LCT and LVT chains reported secure.
1000 LCT and LVT chains reported secure.
1100 LCT and LVT chains reported secure.
1100 Held General Quarters Drill.
1130 Secured from General Quarters.
1200 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) Upson.

B.C. Norton Jr.
Ensign USNR

1200-1600

1200 Underway as before on base course 275°t,276°pgc,266°psc, speed 8 knots,225rpm.
1237 Commenced zigzagging according to plan #6.
1300 Marine security reported all secure on tank deck.
1330 Ceased zigzagging and began maneuvering according to flag hoist.
1400 Marines security reported chains on tanks secure.
1401 Commenced zigzagging according to plan #6.
1500 Marine security reported chains on tanks secure.
1545 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) H.L. Stenger, USNR.

J.J. Upson
Lt.(jg) USNR

1600-1800

1600 Underway as before, zigzagging in Cruising Disposition #1, in accordance with Plan #6 from a base course of 275°t,276°pgc,266°psc, speed 225 rpm to make good 8 knots. Marine security reported all secure on tank deck.
1700 Marine sentry reported all secure on tank deck.
1745 Watch properly relieved by Ensign J.S. Siders, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt.(jg) USNR

1800-2000

1800 Underway as before on base course 275°pgc,274°t,Steering course 305°t,306° pgc, 296°psc. Zigzagging in accordance to plan #6.
1801 Changed course to 295°pgc,294°t,289°psc.1805:Changed course to 255°t,256°pgc.
1815 Changed course to 292°t,293°pgc.1825:Changed course to 276°t,277°pgc.
1830 Ceased zigzagging.
1945 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) I.W. Ballen USNR. No further remarks.

J.S. Siders
Ensign USNR.

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ADDITIONAL REMARKS

2000-2400

2000 Underway as before on base course 275°t, 267.5°psc, 276°pgc, speed 8.5 knots 230 rpm.

2345 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) Upson.

I.W. Ballen
Lt.(jg) USNR

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UNITED STATES SHIP LST 661 Tuesday (Day) 12 (Date) Sept. (Month), 1944

0000-0400

0000 Underway from Guadalcanal to Palau Islands on operations, course 275(t), 276 psc, 264 psc, S 8.5, 225 rpm. Chains on tank deck reported secure.
0100 Marine security reported chains secure on tank deck.
0200 Marine security reported chains secure on tank deck.
0300 Marine security reported chains secure on tank deck.
0345 Watch properly relieved by Ens. B.C. Norton, USNR.

J.J. Upson
Lt(jg) USNR.

0400-0800

0400 Underway on course 273° t, 276°pgc , 265 psc, S 8.5K, 220 rpm. Chains on LCT and LVP reported secure.
0445 Commenced zigzaging byplan No.6.
0500 LCT and LVT chains secure.
0600 LCT and LVT chains secure.
0700 LCT and LVT chains secure.
0745 Watch properly relieved by Ens. Siders.

B.C. Norton
Ens. USNR.

0800-1200

0800 Underway as before on base course 275° t, 276° psc, 265 psc S 8.5K, 220 rpm, zigzaging in accordance of plan #6.
0819 USS LCI 734 came along side to starboard and transferred guard mail.
0925 Ceased zigzaging.
0933 Commenced zigzaging in accordance to flag hoist signals.
1003 Changed base course to 285° t, 286° pgc.
1045 Ceased zigzaging in accordance to flag hoist signals and commenced zigzaging in accordance to plan #6.
1100 Exercised at general drills.
1115 Secured from General drills.
1145 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) I.W. Ballen, USNR.
No further remarks.

J.S. Siders
Ens. USNR.

1200-1600

1200 Underway as before on course 285° t, 286° pgc, 275°psc.
1200 Zigzaging in accordance with plan #6.
1320 Ceased zigzaging and changed courses and speeds according to flag hoist.
1340 LCI 735 came along starboard side.
1415 Resumed zigzaging in accordance with plan #6.
1545 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) Upson

I.W. Ballen
Lt(jg) USNR

1600-1800

1600 Underway as before course 285°t, 286° pgc, 275°psc, S 8.5k(225 rpm) Zigzaging according to plan #6.
1601 Marine security reported chaines secure on tank deck.
1700 Marine security reported chainssecure on tank deck.
1745 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) H.L. Stenger, USNR.

J.J. Upson
Lt(jg) USNR.

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UNITED STATES SHIP LST 661 Tuesday (Day) 12 (Date) Sept. (Month), 1944

ADDITIONAL REMARKS

1800-2000

1800 Underway as before in cruising disposition #1, zigzaging in accordance with plan #6, from base course 285°t, 286°pgc, 275°psc, S225 rpm to make speed a good 8.5k.
1820 Called away general quarters.
Marine sentry reported all secure on tank deck.
1830 Ceased zigzaging and resumed base course 285°t, 286°pgc.
1845 Secured from general quarters.
1900 Marine sentry reported all secure on tank deck.
1945 Watch properly relieved by Ens B.C. Norton, USNR., No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt(jg) USNR.

2000-2400

2000 Underway on course 285°t, 286°pgc, 275°psc, S8.5(225 rpm). All LCT LVT chains reported secure.
2100 LCT and LVT chains reported secure.
2200 LCT and LVT chains reported secure.
2300 LCT and LVT chains reported secure.
2345 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) I.W. Ballen.

B.C. Norton
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Ens. USNR.

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UNITED STATES SHIP LST 661 Wednesday (Day) 13 (Date) Sept. (Month), 1944

0000-0400

0000 Underway from Quadalcanal to Palau Islands for operation on base course 285°t,286°pgc,275°psc, speed 8.5 knots, 225 rpm.
0345 Watch properly relieved by Ensign Siders.

I.W. Ballen
Lt.(jg) USNR

0400-0800

0400-0445 Underway as before on base course 285°t,286°psc, 275°psc, speed 8.5 knots,225 rpm. Exercised at General Quarters, Lt.(jg) H.L. Stenger at the conn, Executive Officer on the bridge.
0500 Commenced zigzagging in accordance with zigzag plan #6.
0545 Secured from General Quarters.
0745 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) H.L. Stenger, USNR. No further remarks.

J.S. Siders
Ensign USNR

0800-1200

0800 Underway as before, in Cruising Disposition #1, Zigzagging according to Plan #6. from base course 285°t, 286°pgc, 275°psc. Speed 235 rpm to make good 8.5 knots. Mustered crew on stations. No absentees.
Marine sentry reported all secure on Tank Deck.
0827 USS LCI 736 came alongside to starboard to deliver Guard Mail.
0829 USS LCI 736 stood off from starboard and continued mail run.
0900 Marine sentry reported all secure on Tank Deck.
0907 Ceased zigzagging according to Plan #6. Commenced tactical maneuvers, with USS LST 222 as formation guide, USS LST 225 as unit guide.
0910 Exercised at General Drills.
0928 Secured from General Drills.
1000 Commenced zigzagging according to Plan #6. Marine sentry reported all secure on Tank Deck.
1030 Changed base course to 327°328°pgc, 318°psc.
1100 Chronometers wound. Marine sentry reports all secure on Tank Deck.
1145 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt.(jg) USNR

1200-1600

1200 Underway as before zigzagging according to Plan #6.
1240 Ceased zigzagging according to Plan #6., began maneuvering according to flag hoist.
1315 Called away General Quarters.
1330 Secured from General Quarters., continued maneuvering according to flag hoist.
1444 Called away General Quarters.
1520 Secured from General Quarters.
1520 Commenced zigzagging according to Plan #6.
1545 Watch properly relieved by Ensign B.C. Norton USNR.

J.J. Upson
Lt.(jg) USNR.

1600-1800

1600 Underway on course 327°t,328°pgc, 318°psc, speed 8.5 knots, 235 rpm. Chains on LCT and LVT's reported secure. Zigzagging according to Plan #6.
1657 Changed speed to 9 knots, 250 rpm.
1700 LCT and LVT's chains reported secure.
1745 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) Ballen USNR.

B.C. Norton
Ensign USNR.

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ADDITIONAL REMARKS.

1800-2000

1800 Underway as before on base course 327°t, 328°pgc, 330°psc, speed 9 knots, 240 rp
1800 Exercised General Quarters at Sunset.
1840 Secured zigzag Plan #6.
1900 Secured from General Quarters.
1945 Watch properly relieved by Ensign Siders.

I.W. Ballen
Lt.(jg) USNR.

2000-2400

2000 Underway as before on base course 327°t, 328°psc, 330°psc, speed 9 knots, 240 rpm.
2001 Changed speed to 7 knots, 190 rpm.
2345 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

J.S. Siders.
Ensign USNR.

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UNITED STATES SHIP LST 661 Thursday (Day) 14 (Date) September (Month), 1944

0000-0400

0000 Underway from Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands to Palau Islands. Course 327°t, 328°pgc, 318°psc, Speed 8k(205 rpm).
0100 Marine security reported chains secure on tank deck.
0200 Marine security reported chains secure on tankdeck.
0300 Marine security reported chains secure on tank deck.
0400 Marine security reported chains secure on tank deck.
0430 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) H.L. Stenger, Jr., USNR.

A.J. Upson
Lt(jg) USNR.

0430-0900

0430 Underway as before in cruising disposition #1, on course 327°t, 328°pgc 318°psc, Speed 210 rpm to make good knots.
0453 Sounded General quarters.
0500 Marine sentry reported all secure on tank deck.
0500 Commenced zigzaging in accordance with plan #6 from base course 327°t, 328° pgc.
0553 Secured from General Quarters.
0600 Marine sentry reported all secure on tank deck.
0636 USS LCI #741 along side to starboard to deliver guard mail.
0700 Marine sentry reported all secure on tank deck.
0800 Marine sentry reported all secure on tank deck. Mustered crew on stations, no absentees.
0804 Changed base course to 322°t, 323°pgc, 313°psc.
0830 Watch properly relieved by Ens. B.C. Norton, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt(jg) USNR

0830-1330

0830 Underway on course 322°t, 323°pgc, 313°psc, Speed 8k(210 rpm), manuevering according to plan number 6, chains on LCT and LVT's reported secure.
1100 Ceased zigzaging and resumed base curse, changed distance to 800 yards.
1115 Called general quarters, chronometer reported wound.
1126 Manuevering by flag hoist from Fleet Guide.
1216 Secured from General Quarters.
1249 Ceased present exercises and resumed base course 322°t, 323°pgc, 313°psc and resumed distance at 500 yards.
1251 Commenced zigzaging according to plan #7.
1330 Watch properly relieved by Ensign Siders, proper reports concerning LCT and LVT's chains were made hourly during the watch.

B.C. Norton
Ens. USNR.

1330-1800

1330 Underway as before on base course 322°t, 313°psc, 323°pgc, Speed 8k(210 rpm) zigzaging in accordance to plan #7.
1424 Changed course to 318°t, 319°pgc.
1430 Ceased zigzaging.
1458 Formed cruising disposition #2.
1559 Commenced zigzaging according to flag hoist signals.
1714 Changed speed to 240 rpm to make good 8.5k.
1720 Ceased zigzaging in accordance with flag hoist signals and commenced zigzaging in accordance with plan #7.
1800 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) H.L. Stenger, Jr., USNR. No further remarks

J.S. Siders
Ens. USNR.

1800-2000

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1800-2000

1800 Underway as before in cruising disposition #2, zigzaging in accordance with plan #7, from base course 318°t, 319°pgc, 313°psc, Speed 240 rpm to make good 8.5k. Marine sentry reports all secure on tank deck.
1802 Called away General Quarters in preparation for approach to Peleliu Island
1845 Ceased zigzaging. Resumed base course 318°t, 319°pgc.
1900 Marines sentry reported all secure on tank deck.
1928 Changed course to 327°t, 328°pgc, 316°psc.
1945 Watch ;roperly relieved by Lt(jg) J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt(jg) USNR.

2000-2230

2000 Underway as before in cruising disposition #2 on course 327°t, 328°pgc, 316°psc Speed 8K(210 rpm).
2001 Marine sentry reported all secure on tank deck.
2100 Marine sentry reported all secure on tank deck.
2200 Marine sentry reported all secure on tank deck.
2230 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) H.L. Stanger, Jr. USNR. No further remarks.

J.J. Upson
J.J. Upson
Lt(jg) USNR.

2230-2400

2230 Underway as before in cruising disposition #2, on course 318°t, 319°pgc, 313°psc, Speed 220 rpm to make good 8k.
2300 Marine sentry reported all secure on tank deck.
2400 Marine sentry reported all secure on tank deck. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt(jg) USNR.

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UNITED STATES SHIP LST 661 Friday (Day) 15 (Date) September (Month), 1944

0000-0130

0000 Underway in Approach Disposition, Cruising Disposition #2, in accordance with Com LST Flot 13 Movement Order 9-44, on course 327°t, 328°pgc, 315°psc, speed 220 rpm to make good 8 knots. Ship at modified General Quarters.
0030 Changed base course to 332°t, 333°pgc, 320°psc.
0130 Changed formation speed to 230 rpm to make good 8.5 knots.
Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt.(jg) USNR

0130-0400

0130 Underway as before on course 332°t, 333°pgc, 320°psc, speed 8.5 knots, 220 rpm
0200 Marine sentry reported all secure on Tank Deck.
0300 Marine sentry reported all secure on Tank Deck.
0330 Changed course to 355°t, 356°pgc, 339°psc.
0342 Convoy speed changed to 8 knots, 205 rpm.
0345 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) H.L. Stenger, USNR.

J.J. Upson
Lt.(jg) USNR.

0400-0800

0400 Underway as before in Approach Disposition in accordance with Com LST Flot 13 Movement Order 9-44, on course 355°t, 356°pgc, 339°psc, speed 205 rpm to make good 8 knots. Ship at modified General Quarters.
0419 Changed course to 033°t, 034°pgc.
0500 Set Condition One Mike.
0515 Changed course to 085°t, 086°pgc, closed distance to 400 yds, interval to 700 yds.
0559 Underway on various courses and speeds in approach to LST Area Able, Pelelieu Island.
0650 Lowered away Small Boat #2, Hanson acting as coxswain with Ensign Robert Monroe Herren, D-V(G), 256937, USNR and McIver, Robert Logan, 890 39 10, S2c(RM) V-6 USNR, preembarked as LVT Wave Guide boat. Opened bow doors, partially lowered ramp.
0700 Underway in Attack Formation on approach to LST Area Baker, course 175°t, 176°pgc, speed 4 knots,
0710 Changed course to 085°t, 086°pgc, maneuvering in formation to transfer line. Closed interval to 300yds.
0714 Lowered away small boat #3, RE acting as coxswain, with Wm. P. Turner, Lt.(MC) USNR and gear preembarked for transfer to USS LST 267.
0720 Commenced launching LVT's and DUKW's.
0745 Completed launching of LVT's and DuKW's.
0754 Underway on various courses and speeds, maneuvering independently to station at LST area Charlie.
0755 Watch properly relieved by Lt. ~~(jg)~~ J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt.(jg) USNR

0800-1200

0800 Underway , standing off Pelielieu Island, Palau Islands in Area Charlie. Preparing to launch LCT.
1053 Opened Bow doors and Lowered ramp.
1100 Commenced receiving tanks for repairs.
1125 Commenced pumping ballast.
1142 Raised ramp and closed Bow doors.
1155 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) H.L. Stenger, USNR.

J.J. Upson
Lt.(jg) USNR

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UNITED STATES SHIP LST 661 Friday (Day) 15 (Date) September (Month), 19 44

ADDITIONAL REMARKS.

1200-1600

1200 Underway as before, standing off Peleliu Island, Palau Islands on various courses and speeds to maintain position in LST area Charlie. LCT 858 being prepared for launching.
1209 Completed pumping ballast to effect 11.5° list to starboard.
1214 Launched LCT 858 from main deck and moored the vessel alongside to starboard.
1225 Commenced fueling LCT 858. Commenced pumping ballast to correct list of ship.
1335 Completed fueling LCT 858.
1510 In compliance with CTU 32.13.1 despatch orders., cast off LCT 858. Underway on various courses and speeds to Transfer Line off Orange Beach to act as LVT repair ship. Executive Officer at the conn.
1530 Called away Ramp Control Party.
1535 Completed pumping ballast into tanks A-404,405,406.
1545 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt.(jg) USNR

1600-2000

1600 Underway, standing off Orange Beach, Peleliu Island. Repairing LVT's.
1800 Underway from Orange Beach for Area Charlie and USS DuPage.
1830 Arrived off starboar quarter of USS DuPage, Distance 600 yds. Secured Main engine., to be warmed at least once each four hours.
1845 LVT's being repaired on Tank Deck.
1945 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) H.L. Stenger, USNR.

J.J. Upson
Lt.(jg) USNR

2000-2400

2000 Underway as before, standing off Orange Beach, Peleliu Island, Palau Islands, on various courses and speeds to maintain position one mile off beach in company with USS DuPage(APA 41). Bow doors open, ramp down, receiving and repairing LVT's in compliance with Com LST Flot. 13 Attack Order #8-44.
2345 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt.(jg) USNR.

APPROVED: A.L. Perdue, Lieut. U.S.N.R. COMMANDING.

EXAMINED: S.K. McAfee, Lieut. U.S.N.R. NAVIGATOR

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UNITED STATES SHIP LST 661 Friday (Day) 15 (Date) September (Month), 19 44

ADDITIONAL REMARKS.

1200-1600

1200 Underway as before, standing off Peleliu Island, Palau Islands on various courses and speeds to maintain position in LST area Charlie. LCT 858 being prepared for launching.
1209 Completed pumping ballast to effect 11.5° list to starboard.
1214 Launched LCT 858 from main deck and moored the vessel alongside to starboard.
1225 Commenced fueling LCT 858. Commenced pumping ballast to correct list of ship.
1335 Completed fueling LCT 858.
1510 In compliance with CTU 32.13.1 despatch orders., cast off LCT 858. Underway on various courses and speeds to Transfer Line off Orange Beach to act as LVT repair ship. Executive Officer at the conn.
1530 Called away Ramp Control Party.
1535 Completed pumping ballast into tanks A-404,405,406.
1545 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt.(jg) USNR

1600-2000

1600 Underway, standing off Orange Beach, Peleliu Island. Repairing LVT's.
1800 Underway from Orange Beach for Area Charlie and USS DuPage.
1830 Arrived off starboar quarter of USS DuPage, Distance 600 yds. Secured Main engine., to be warmed at least once each four hours.
1845 LVT's being repaired on Tank Deck.
1945 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) H.L. Stenger, USNR.

J.J. Upson
Lt.(jg) USNR

2000-2400

2000 Underway as before, standing off Orange Beach, Peleliu Island, Palau Islands, on various courses and speeds to maintain position one mile off beach in company with USS DuPage(APA 41). Bow doors open, ramp down, receiving and repairing LVT's in compliance with Com LST Flot. 13 Attack Order #8-44.
2345 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt.(jg) USNR.

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UNITED STATES SHIP L.S.T. 661 Saturday (Day) 16 (Date) September (Month), 1944

0000-0400

0000 Underway-standing off Orange two - Pelelia Island. Repairing LVT's on tank deck.

0345 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) H.L. Stenger, Jr., USNR. No further remarks.

J.J. Upson
Lt(jg) USNR

0400-0800

0400 Underway as before, standing off Orange Beach, Pelelui Island, Palau, on various courses and speeds to maintain position one mile off beach. Bow doors open, ramp down, receiving and repairing LVT's in accordance with COMLSTFLOT 13 attack order 8-44.

0658 LCT #782 moored alongside to port. The following two Officers and 13 men transferred aboard for temporary quarters and subsistence from LCT 579:

NICKOCHOS, A.	Ensign, D-V(G), USNR	314152
BLACKWELL, J.H.	Ensign, D-V(G), USNR	339160
KENNEDY, M.L.	BM2c, USNR	707 86 76
CANADA, G.C.	GM3c, USNR	659 78 94
ROCKWELL, G.A.	S2c, USNR	55 11 38
HERMAN, A.	S2c, USNR	859 96 49
MAERTEN, B.S.	S2c, USNR	609 62 64
MANDEL, H.C.	SC3c, USNR	830 69 01
POSEK, A.J.	S1c, USNR	857 97 50
STODDARD, J.E.	S2c, USNR	806 40 59
WEISS, N.G.	EM3c, USNR	836 50 62
HIMES, C.W.	MoMM3c, USNR	695 81 84
HOFFEMAN, A.E.	MoMM3c, USNR	313 26 63
SCHWANLZ, H.	F2c, USNR	812 54 64
RODMAHM, M	F2c, USNR	805 70 39

0745 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt.(jg), USNR.

0800-1200

0800 Underway-standing off Orange Two -Pelelui Island repairing LVT's on tank deck.

0801 Commenced fueling small boat #2.

0845 Finished fueling small boat #2.

0935 Underway for transfer line.

1015 Arrived at transfer line.

1145 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) H.L. Stenger, Jr. USNR.

J.J. Upson
Lt(jg) USNR.

1200-1600

1200 Underway as before, standing off Orange Beach, Pelelui Island, Palau, on various courses and speeds to keep station on Transfer line. Bow doors open, ramp down, receiving and repairing LVT's in accordance with COMLSTFLOT 13 attack order 8-44.

1415 Small boat #2 alongside. Ensign Heeren and his Wave Guide Party aboard.

1417 Small boat #2 away to USS DuPAGE to transfer Ensign Heeren and his Wave Guide Party.

1445 Small boat from USS LST 121 alongside. Transferred parts for repair of LVT's.

1545 Secured from General Quarters. Set Condition three watch. Section I assumed the watch. Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt.(jg), USNR.

APPROVED: A.L. PERDUE, LIEUT. U. S. N R. COMMANDING.

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UNITED STATES SHIP L.S.T. 661 Saturday 16 September, 19 44
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ADDITIONAL REMARKS.

1600-1800

1600 Underway-standing off Orange Two, Pelelui Island, repairing LVT's on tank deck.
1750 Watch properly relieved by Ensign B.C. Norton, USNR. No further remarks.

J.J. Upson
Lt(jg) USNR.

1800-2000

1800 Underway as before.
1945 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) H.L. Stenger, Jr. USNR.

B.C. Norton
Ensign, USNR.

2000-2400

2000 Underway as before, standing off Orange Beach, Pelelui, Island, Palau Islands, on various courses and speeds to keep stations one mile off shore. Bow doors open. ramp down, receiving and repairing LVT's in compliance with COMLSTFLOT 13 attack order 8-44.
2345 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt(jg), USNR.

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NAVPERS-134 (REV. 1-44) DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

UNITED STATES SHIP LST 661 Sunday (Day) 17 (Date) September (Month), 19 44

0000-0400

0000 Underway, standing off Orange Beach, Peleliu Island, Palau Islands. LCT 771 moored along Port side. Maneuvering so as to keep one mile off the beach.
0345 Watch properly relieved by Ensign B.C. Norton USNR.

J.J. Upson
Lt.(jg) USNR

0400-0800

0400 Underway as before.
0745 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) H.L. Stenger,.

B.C. Norton Jr.
Ensign USNR

0800-1200

0800 Underway as before, standing off Orange Beach, Peleliu Island, Palau Islands, on various courses and speeds to maintain position one mile off beach. Bow doors open, ramp down, acting as LVT repair ship in accordance with Com LST Flot. 13 Attack Order No. 8-44. Mustered crew at Quarters. No absentees.
0805 Gasoline barge moored to port side forward.
1115 Gasoline barge unmoored from port side and moored to starboard side forward.
1145 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt.(jg) USNR

1200-1600

1200 Underway. Standing off Orange Beach., Peleliu Island, Palau Islands, maneuvering so as to maintain position one mile off Beach. Bow doors open, ramp down, acting as LVT repair ship. Gasoline barge moored to starboard bow.
1317 Gasoline barge shoved off.
1545 Watch properly relieved by Ensign B.C. Norton, USNR.

J.J. Upson
Lt.(jg) USNR.

1600-1800

1600 Underway as before.
1745 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) Stenger,.

B.C. Norton Jr.
Ensign USNR.

1800-2000

1800 Underway as before, standing off Orange Beach, Peleliu Island, Palau Islands, on various courses and speeds to maintain position one mile off beach. Bow doors open, ramp lowered, acting as LVT repair ship in accordance with Com LST Flot. 13, Attack Orders No. 8-44.
1802 Darkened ship.
1841 In compliance with Com LST Flot. 13 Attack Order No.8-44, lowered away small boat #3 to act as picket boat in LST Area. Ensign Siders in charge.
1945 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt.(jg) USNR.

2000-2400

2000 Underway, standing off Orange Beach, Peleliu Island, Palau Islands, Bow doors open, ramp down, repairing LVT's. Maneuvering so as to maintain position one mile off beach.
2345 Watch properly relieved by Ensign B.C. Norton USNR.

J.J. Upson, Lt.(jg) USNR.

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UNITED STATES SHIP L.S.T. 661 Monday (Day) 18 (Date) September (Month), 19 44

0000-0400

0000 Underway at various courses and speeds to maintain position one mile off Orange Beach, Pelelui Island, Palau, receiving and repairing. LVT's and DUKW's, bow doors open ramp down.

0345 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) H.L. Stenger, Jr. USNR.

B.C. Norton
Ensign, USNR

0400-0800

0400 Underway as before, standing off Orange Beach, Pelelui Island, Palau on various courses and speeds to maintain position on mile off shore. Receiving and repairing LVT's in accordance with COMLSTFLOT 13 attack order 8-44.

0715 Stood out to USS LSD-5 to transfer three DUKW's.

0745 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt.(jg), USNR.

0800-1200

0800 Underway as before, standing off Orange Beach, Pelelui Island, Palau on various courses and speeds to maintain position 1 mile off shore. Receiving and repairing LVT's. Finished transferring three DUKW's to USS LSD-5.

1145 Watch properly relieved by Ensign B.C. Norton, USNR.

J.J. Upson
Lt(jg) USNR.

1200-1600

1200 Underway as before.

1545 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) I.W. Ballen, USNR.

B.C. Norton
Ensign, USNR.

1600-1800

1600 Underway as before, standing off Orange Beach, Pelelui Island, Palau on various courses and speeds to maintain position one mile off shore.

1745 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) H.L. Stenger, Jr., USNR.

I.W. Ballen
Lt(jg) USNR

1800-2000

1800 Underway as before, standing off Orange Beach, Pelelui Island, Palau, on various courses and speeds to maintain position one mile off shore. Ramp down, bow doors open to receive and repair LVT's as per COMLSTFLOT 13 attack orders.

1932 Called away General Quarters in response to red alert.

1945 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt.(jg). USNR.

2000-2400

2000 Underway as before-standing off Orange Beach, Pelelui Island. Crew at General Quarters.

2005 Secured from General Quarters-commenced taking on LVT's.

2045 Sounded General Quarters - closed bow ramp and doors.

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ADDITIONAL REMARKS.

2000-2400 (con't)

2100 Secured from General Quarters - commenced taking on LVT's for repair.
2345 Watch properly relieved by Ensign B.C. Norton, USNR.

J.J. Upson
Lt(jg) USNR.

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UNITED STATES SHIP LST 661 Tuesday 19 September, 1944
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0000-0400

0000 Underway and standing off Orange Beach, Peleliu Island, Palau Islands on various courses and speeds to maintain position one mile off beach.
0345 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) Ballen.

B.C. Norton Jr.
Ensign USNR.

0400-0800

0400 Underway as before, standing off Orange Beach, Peleliu Island, Palau Islands, on various courses and speeds to maintain position of one mile off of Orange beach.
0745 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) H.L. Stenger, USNR.

I.W. Ballen
Lt.(jg) USNR.

0800-1200

0800 Underway as before, standing off Orange Beach, Peleliu Island, Palau Islands, on various courses and speeds to maintain position one mile off beach. Mustered crew on Quarters. No absentees.
0808 Cast off pontoon moored alongside to port.
0825 Moored pontoon to bow. Commenced unloading repair equipment.
0905 Completed unloading of repair equipment. Unmoored and cast adrift, pontoon.
0937 Underway for Kossol Passage in compliance with CTF 32 orders to secure from LVT repair operations and proceed on salvage mission to USS Wadleigh (DD 689) Set course of 090°t,091°pgc,speed 250 rpm to make good 9 knots.
1006 Changed speed to 240 rpm.
1016 Changed course to 048°t,049°pgc,042°psc.
1047 Changed speed to 250 rpm.
1124 Changed speed to 245 rpm.
1145 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt.(jg) USNR.

1200-1600

1200 Underway as before., course 048°t,049°pgc,042°psc, speed 9 knots, 245 rpm.
1210 Increased speed to 250 rpm.
1245 Changed course to 034°t,035°pgc,025°psc.
1405 Changed course to 005°t,006°pgc,349°psc.
1545 Watch properly relieved by Ensign B.C. Norton, USNR.

J.J. Upson
Lt.(jg) USNR

1600-1800

1600 Underway as before.
1725 Maneuvering on various courses and speeds to enter Kossol Passage, Palau Islands, Captain on the conn., Pilot aboard at the conn.
1745 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) Ballen.

B.C. Norton Jr.
Ensign USNR

1800-2000

1800 Anchored in Kossol Passage, Palau Islands with 60 fathoms of chain in 15 fathoms of water on the following bearings:Right tip of Garakarn:192°t., Genepeo Point 179°t.
1820 YMS 243 moored starboard side for fueling.
1915 YMS 2 moored along port side for fueling.
1920 Commenced fueling of YMS 243.
1945 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) H.L. Stenger.

I.W. Ballen, Lt.(jg) USNR.

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UNITED STATES SHIP LST 661 Tuesday (Day) 19 (Date) September (Month), 1944

ADDITIONAL REMARKS

2000-2400

2000 Anchored as before, USS YMS 275 and USS YMS 298 moored to starboard. USS YMS #2 moored to port, for receiving of fuel and fresh water.
2040 Sounded General Quarters.
2048 Secured from General Quarters.
2250 Completed passing of fuel and fresh water to YMS's, having discharged 8400 gallons of diesel oil and 2100 gallons of fresh water.
2304 USS YMS 298 Unmoored from starboard and stood off to anchorage.
2315 USS YMS 275 unmoored from starboard and stood off to anchorage.
2345 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt.(jg) USNR.

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UNITED STATES SHIP L.S.T. 661 Wednesday (Day) 20 (Date) September (Month), 1944

0000-0400

0000 Anchored in Kossol Passage, Palau Islands with 60 fathoms of chain on the bow anchor in 15 fathoms of water - the following bearing were taken. right tip Gorokorn Island 192°t, Gorapag Point 179°t.
YMS 2 moored to port side.
0345 Watch properly relieved by Ensign B.C. Norton, USNR.

H.J. Upson
Lt(jg) USNR.

0400-0800

0400 Anchored as before.
0615 YMS 2 cast off from port side.
0620 YMS 38 moored starboard side to for purpose of fueling. YMS 1 moored alongside YMS #38 to take on fuel also.
0630 YMS #33 moored port side to for fueling purposes.
0745 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) I.W. Ballen.

B.C. Norton
Ensign, USNR.

0800-1200

0800 Anchored as before.
0840 LCI 470 moored port side too for fueling.
1115 Held General Quarters.
1125 Secured from General Quarters.
1125 YMS cast off.
1125 LCI 470 moored to port side.
1140 YMS 140 moored starboard side too for fueling.
1145 Watch properly relieved by H.L. Stenger, Jr., USNR.

I.W. Ballen
Lt(jg) USNR.

1200-1600

1200 Anchored as before, USS YMS 238 and USS YMS 140 moored to starboard and USS LCI 470 moored to port, to receive fuel and fresh water.
1217 USS YMS 319 moored starboard side to USS LCI 470 on port side.
1236 USS LCI 460 moored starboard side to USS YMS 319 on port side.
1304 USS YMS 238 unmoored from starboard and stood off on assigned duty.
1330 USS YMS 19 moored port side to USS YMS 140 to starboard.
1341 USS YMS 19 unmoored from starboard and stood off to anchorage.
1412 USS LCI 470 unmoored from port and stood off on assigned duty.
1422 Comdr. Forrest, CTG 32.19, USNR, ABOARD.
1431 Comdr. Forrest, CTG 32.19, USNR, left ship.
1432 USS YMS 140 unmoored from starboard and stood off to anchorage.
1442 USS YMS 341 moored alongside to starboard.
1445 Pursuant to CTG 32.9 despatch orders 180227 of September 1944, CO USS WADLEIGH orders DD689/P16-4/00/jib Serial 137 dated 18 September 1944 and verbal orders of SOPA, the following three officers and the following 138 men, on the attached list reported aboard from the USS WADLEIGH (DD689) FFT as idrected by CTF 32: Ensign Aaron J. Mershen, D-V(G), 228102, USNR was in charge of the draft:

MERSHEN, Aaron J., Ensign D-V(G) 228102-USNR.
SUTHERLAND, Samuel L., Jr., Ensign DE-V(G) 341070, USNR.
HENDERSON, Wyatt C., Ensign, D-V(G) 338412, USNR.

1547 USS LCI 470 unmoored from port side and stood off on assigned duty.
1557 USS YMS 140 moored port side to USS YMS 341 on starboard side.
1600 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) H.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt.(jg), USNR.

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1600-1800

1600 Anchored as before.
1602 Commenced fueling YMS 140.
1700 Finished fueling YMS 140.
1710 YMS 19 moored starboard side to YMS 140.
1710 Commenced fueling YMS 319.
1745 Watch properly relieved by Ensign B.C. Norton, USNR. No further remarks.

D.J. Upson
Lt(jg) USNR.

1800-2000

1800 Anchored as before.
1802 YMS 140 cast off all lines.
1835 YMS 319 cast off all lines.
1945 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) I.W. Ballen, USNR.

B.C. Norton
Ensign, USNR.

2000-2400

2000 Anchored as before.
2115 YMS 19 cast off.
2130 Secured from fueling.
2345 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) H.L. Stenger.

I.W. Ballen
Lt(jg) USNR

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UNITED STATES SHIP LST 661 Thursday (Day) 21 (Date) September (Month) 1944

0000-0400

0000 Anchored in Berth #10, Kossol Passage, Palau Islands in 15 fathoms of water, corol bottom with 60 fathoms of chain at the waters edge on the bow anchor, on the following bearings: Right Tangent of Garokoru Island 192°t, Garapao Point, 179°t. USS YMS #341 moored port side to, to starboard.

0345 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt.(jg) USNR.

0400-0800

0400 Anchored as before.
0552 YMS 341 unmoored from alongside and stood away to anchorage.
0730 Called away Special Sea Detail.
0745 Watch properly relieved by Ensign B.C. Norton, USNR.

J.J. Upson.
Lt.(jg) USNR.

0800-1200

0800 Underway for salvage operations alongside USS Grapple, anchored in Kossol Passage, various courses and speeds.

0825 Moored starboard side to USS Grapple, Commensed salvage operations of equipment on USS Wadleigh (DD 689) in accordance with despatch orders 180227 of September 1944.

1200 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) Ballen.

B.C. Norton Jr.
Ensign USNR.

1200-1600

1200 Moored as before continuing salvage operation of equipment on USS Wadleigh (DD 689) in accordance with dewpatch orders 180227 of Sept, 1944.
1415 Small boat #6 left ship. Cheif Hendricks and party on board.
1545 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) H.L. Stenger., USNR.

I.W. Ballen
Lt.(jg) USNR.

1600-1800

1600- Moored as before. Continuing salvage operations on USS Wadleigh (DD 689) in compliance with CTF 32 despatch order 180227 of September, 1944.
1647 Pursuant to CTF 32 despatch orders 180110 of September 1944 and verbal orders of SOPA, HUMPHREY, Jack Eldridge, 828 25 36 FC 3/c(R) SV V-6, USNR, was transfered aboard with bag and records from USS Wadleigh (DD 689) for further transfer when directed by CTF 32.
1710 Small boat #6 returned to ship. Chief Hendricks and party aboard. Boat raised.
1745 Watch properly relieved by Lt.(jg) J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt.(jg) USNR.

1800-2000

1800 Moored as before starboard side to, bow to stern ARS-7.
1925 Commenced pumping lubricating oil to ARS-7.
1950 Finished pumping Lubricating oil. All lines secured.
1955 Watch properly relieved by Ensign B.C. Norton USNR.

J.J. Upson
Lt.(jg) USNR.

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UNITED STATES SHIP LST 661 Thursday (Day) 21 (Date) September (Month) 1944

ADDITIONAL REMARKS

2000-2400

2000 Moored as before.
2345 Watch properly relieved by Lt. (jg) Ballen.

B.C. Norton Jr.
Ensign USNR.

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NAVPERS-134 (REV. 1-44) DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

UNITED STATES SHIP LST 661 Friday 22 September, 19 44
(Day) (Date) (Month)

0000-0400

0000 Moored as before starboard side to U.S.S. GRAPPLE in Kossol Passage, Palau Island in order to continue salvage operation of equipment on U.S.S. WADLEIGH in accordance with despatch order 180227 of September 1944.
0345 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) H.L. Stenger, Jr., USNR.

I.W. Ballen
Lt(jg) USNR

0400-0800

0400 Moored as before.
0745 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) ~~J.L.~~ Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt.(jg)., USNR.

0800-1200

0800 Moored as before. Mustered crew at quarters - no absentees.
0930 Called away special sea detail.
0942 Small boat #6, with Sherer as Coxswain, shoved off for duty with USS WADLEIGH.
0945 All Divisions reported readiness for getting underway.
1030 Underway from alongside USS GRAPPLE for the USS COLUMBIA. Executive Officer on the conn.
1127 Moored alongside USS COLUMBIA port side to, to starboard.
1130 Secured special sea detail and main engines.
1135 Commenced taking aboard empty powder tins.
1145 Watch properly relieved by Ensign B.C. Norton, USNR.

J.L. Upson
Lt(jg) USNR

1200-1600

1200 Moored as before.
1545 Watch properly relieved by ~~Lt(jg)~~ I.W. Ballen, USNR.

B.C. Norton
Ensign, USNR

1600-1800

1600 Moored as before. Completed loading of empty powder cans.
1615 Underway from USS COLUMBIA through Kossol passage, Palau Island to USS MANUALOA, ammunition ship, on various courses and speeds.
1720 Moored portside to USS MANUALOA in Kossol Passage, Palau Islands.
1745 Watch properly relieved by Ensign J.S. Siders, USNR.

I.W. Ballen
Lt(jg) USNR

1800-2000

1751 Underway from starboard side of USS MANUALOA , Kossol Passage, Palau Islands, Executive Officer at the conn, Captain on the bridge, standing down the harbor on various courses and speeds to berth #7.
1825 Anchored in berth #7 Kossol Passage, Palau Islands in 17 fathoms of water with 60 fathoms of chain on the bow anchor.
1830 Secured special sea detail.
1839 Posted pickett watch.
1945 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) H.L. Stenger, Jr., USNR. No further remarks.

J.S. Siders
Ensign, USNR.

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UNITED STATES SHIP IST 661 Friday (Day) 22 (Date) September (Month), 1944

ADDITIONAL REMARKS

2000-2400

2000 Anchored as before.
2345 Watch properly relieved by ~~Lt(jg)~~ J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt(jg) USNR.

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UNITED STATES SHIP LST 661 Saturday (Day) 23 (Date) September (Month), 1944

0000-0400

0000 Anchored as before in Kossel Passage, Palau Islands, berth #7 in 17 fathoms of water with 60 fathoms of chain on the bow anchor.
0345 Watch properly relieved by Ensi, B.C. Norton, USNR. No further remarks.

A.J. Upson
Lt(jg) USNR.

0400-0800

0400 Anchored as before.
0727 Started main engines.
0745 Made preparations for getting underway.
0745 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) Ballen.

B.C. Norton
Ens. USNR.

0800-1200

0800 Underway from Berth #7, Kossel Passage, Palau Islands. Executive Officer on conn. On various courses and speeds to ARS-7 to moor portside bow to stern.
0914 Moored portside, bow to stern, to ARS-7, Kossol Passage, Palau Islands to take on twin 40mm mounts and two 20mm mounts from USS WADLEIGH.
1030 Boat #5 shoved off to U.S.S. MARYLAND.
1059 Unmoored and underway from ARS-7 through Kossol Passage at various courses and speeds to berth #13.
1120 Anchored in berth #13, Kossol Passage, Palau Islands in 18 fathoms of water with 60 fathoms of chain on the following bearings; Right tangent of M9 A, Ngariungs Is.-029°t, tripod. 100°t.
1145 Watch properly relieved by Ensign Siders.

I.W. Ballen
Lt(jg) USNR

1200-1600

1200 Anchored as before in berth 13, Kossol Passage, Palau Islands in 18 fathoms of water with 60 fathoms of chain on the bow anchor on the following bearing. Right tangent Ngariungs Is.-029ot, tripod-100°t.
1315 Called away special sea and anchor detail.
1316 Got underway from berth 13, Kossol Passage, Palau Islands on various courses and speeds and stood up harbor, Executive Officer at conn.
1420 Anchored in Kossol Passage, Palau Islands in 14 fathoms of water with 50 fathoms of chain on the bow anchor on the following bearings. Tripod 141°t, Tower 184°t, Tarapoa 174°t.
1430 Secured special sea detail and anchor detail.
1545 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) Stenger, USNR. No further remarks.

J.S. Siders
Ensign, USNR.

1600-1800

1600 Anchored as before.
1602 Called away Special Sea detail. Made all preparations for getting underway.
1612 Secured Special Sea detai.
1616 Pursuant to orders from CO USS CHANDELEUR(AV-10), Serial #AV-10, P20-2, dated 23 September 1944, KOSMALSKI, Edward, CMM(AA), 304-82-86, USN, and the following named three men wrer transferred aboard with bags and records for further transfer with the USS WADLEIGH detail as directed by CTF 32: BOURNE, Junior William, S1c, 659 34 84, USNR.
DORIC, Albert Michael, S2c, 857 49 80, USNR.
RACHEL, Edmund Parke, WT3c, 808 85 35, USNR.
1711 Called away Special Sea detail. Made all preparations for getting underway.
1720 Underway from temporary anchorage berth #85, on various courses and speeds through Kossol Passage, standing into new anchorage. Executive Officer onthe c

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UNITED STATES SHIP LST 661 Saturday (Day) 23 (Date) September (Month), 1944

ADDITIONAL REMARKS

1600-1800 (con't)

1748 Anchored in berth #13, Kossol Passage, Palau Islands, in 15 fathoms of water with 60 fathoms of chain at the water's edge on the bow anchor, on the following bearings: Right tangent-Ngarungs Is.-029°t, Tripod-009°t, Mt.Sija-180°t.

1750 Secured Special seadetail. Set Condition III. Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg)Upson. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
H.L. Stenger
Lt(jg) USNR

1800-2000

1800 Anchored as before in berth #13 Kossol Passage, Palau Islands with 60 fathoms of chain in 15 fathoms of water with the bow anchor.

1905 Sounded General Quarters.

1921 Secured from General Quarters.

1930 Mustered the 8 O'clock reports. All divisions reported secured.

1945 Watch properly relieved by Ens.B.C. Norton, USNR.

A.J. Upson
A.J. Upson
Lt(jg) USNR

2000-2400

2000 Anchored as before.

2345 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) ~~Ralfen~~.

B.C. Norton
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Ensign USNR.

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UNITED STATES SHIP LST 661 Sunday (Day) 24 (Date) September (Month), 19 44

0000-0400

0000 Anchored as before in berth #13, Kossol Passage, Palau Islands, on the following bearings: Tripod 99°t, Ngareuigi Island,-092°t
0345 Watch properly relieved by Ensign Siders.

I.W. Ballen
Lt(jg) USNR

0400-0800

0400 Anchored as before.
0445 Main engines were started.
0530 Called away special sea and anchor detail.
0532 Made all preparations for getting underway.
0545 Underway from berth 13, Kossol Passage, Palau Islands and stood up the harbor on various courses and speeds, Executive Officer at the conn.
0630 Moored port side of USS SANGAY in berth 91, Kossol Passage, Palau Islands.
0650 Secured special sea and anchor detail. Main engines were secured.
0745 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) H.L. Stenger, Jr.,USNR. No further remarks.

J.S. Siders
Ensign, USNR

0800-1200

0800 Moored as before, transferring empty ammunition cases to USS SANGAY (AE 10) Mustered crew on stations. No absentees.
0805 Small boat #6 with Hanson as Coxswain, shoved off for USS TENESSEE(BB43) STEVENSON, W.A. WT2/c as passenger.
0905 Small boat #6 returned to ship.
1040 Small boat #6, Hanson as coxswain, shoved off for USS TENNESSEE (BB43).
1120 Small boat #6 returned to ship. STEVENSON, W.A., WT2c aboard.
1145 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt(jg) USNR

1200-1600

1200 Moored as before, transferring empty ammunition cases to USS SANGAY(AE10)
1500 Small boat #6, with Hanson as Coxswain, shoved off on mail trip and to USS WADLEIGH(DD689).
1545 Watch properly relieved by Ensign B.C. Norton, USNR.

J.J. Upson
Lt(jg) USNR.

1600-1800

1600 Moored as before.
1630 Completed unloading empty powder cans.
1700 Made all preparations for getting underway.
1703 Underway from USS SANGAY at various courses and speeds for anchorage in Kossal Passage, Palau Islands. Executive Officer at the conn.
1726 Anchored in berth 13 Kossol Passage, Palau Islands, in 19 fathoms of chain to the bow anchor on the following anchorage bearings: Right tangent Mguring Island 029°t, Mt Aryon light 179°t, tripod 099°t.
1800 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) I.W. Ballen.

B.C. Norton
Ensign, USNR

1800-2000

1800 Anchored as before.
1945 Watch properly relieved by Ensign J.S. Siders, USNR.

I.W. Ballen
Lt(jg) USNR

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UNITED STATES SHIP LST 661 Sunday (Day) 24 (Date) September (Month), 1944

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2000-2400

2000 Anchored as before.
2000 All divisions reported secure.
2345 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) H.L. Stenger, USNR. No further remarks.

J.S. Siders.
Ensign, USNR

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UNITED STATES SHIP LST 661 Monday 25 September (Day) (Date) (Month), 1944

0000-0400

0000 Anchored in berth #13, Kossol Passage, Palau Islands in 19 fathoms of water, with 60 fathoms of chain at the water's edge on the bow anchor, on the following bearings: Right tangent - Ngariung Is.--029°t., Mt.Aigou light--179°t., Tripod--089°t.

0345 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt(jg) USNR.

0400-0800

0400 Anchored in berth #13, Kossol Passage, Palau Islands, in 19 fathoms of water with 60 fathoms of chain to the waters edge on the bow anchor.

0515 Called away Special Sea detail.

0540 Secured from Special Sea Detail.

0600 Commenced fueling small boat #3.

0615 Completed fueling small boat #3.

0745 Watch properly relieved by Ens. B.C. Norton, USNR.

J.J. Upson
Lt(jg) USNR.

0800-1200

0800 Anchored as before.

1000 Held Captain's Mast to try the following cases: Stalhlut, Virgil A., S2c, 322 04 08, USNR, Towers, Paul K., S2c, 803 33 82 USNR., Howell, Warren E., GM2c(T), 329 04 57, USN., Hendricks, Everett P., CCstd, 294 61 04, USN.

1040 Published the finding s and sentences in the cases of Stalhlut, Virgil A, S2c, 322 04 08, USNR, tried for sleeping on watch-awarded Summary Court Martial; Hendricks, Everett P. CCstd, 294 61 04, USN, disobedience of orders case dismissed with a warning; Towers, P.K., S2c, 803 33 82, USNR, disobedience of orders-awarded a Deck Court Martial; Howell, Warren E., GM2c(T), 339 04 57, USN, Negligence of duty, reduced in rating to GM3c.

1200 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) Ballen.

B.C. Norton
Ens. USNR.

1200-1600

1200 Anchored as before.

1545 Watch properly relieved by Ens. Siders.

I.W. Ballen
Lt(jg) USNR.

1600-1800

1600 Anchored as before.

1800 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) H.L. Stenger, Jr. USNR.

J.S. Siders
Ens. USNR.

1800-2000

1800 Anchored as before.

1806 Darkened ship.

2000 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) J.J. Upson. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt(jg) USNR.

2000-2400

2000 Anchored as before.

2400 Watch properly relieved by Ens. B.C. Norton, USNR.

J.J. Upson
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UNITED STATES SHIP LST 661 Tuesday (Day) 26 (Date) September (Month), 1944

0000-0400

0000 Anchored in berth 13 Kossol Passage, Palau Islands, 19 fathoms of water with 60 fathoms of chain to the bow anchor, main engines secured, Auxiliary en use for light and power, using the following anchor bearings, right tangent Mguring Island 029°t, Mt Angon light 179°t, Tripod 099°t.
0400 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) BALLEN.

B.C. Norton
Ensign, USNR.

0400-0800

0400 Anchored as before.
0800 Watch properly relieved by Ensign Siders

I.W. Ballen
Lt(jg) USNR

0800-1200

0800 Anchored as before.
0833 Small boat #4 left the ship and reported to the USS LCT 78 for duty.
0900 Small boats #6, 3 and 5 left the ship and reported to the USS Aircraft Carrier for duty.(USS
0920 Small boat #2 left the ship and reported to the USS aircraft carrier # 24 for duty.
1035 Small boat #4 returned to the ship having been secured by the USS LCI 78.
1200 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) H.L. Stenger, Jr., USNR. No further remarks.

J.S. Siders
Ensign, USNR.

100-1600

1200 Anchored as before.
1500 Small boat #4, Re as coxswain, shoved off with Jorgenson, GM3c on mail trip.
1600 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt(jg) USNR.

1600-1800

1600 Anchored as before.
1645 Hoisted and secured #4 boat.
1754 Hoisted and secured #6 boat.
1758 Hoisted and secured #2 boat.
1800 Watch properly relieved by Ensign B.C. Norton, USNR.

J.J. Upson
Lt(jg) USNR

1800-2000

1800 Anchored as before.
1853 Unloaded 40,115 pound cases of rockets from small boat three.
2000 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) I.W. Ballen, USNR.

B.C. Norton
Ensign, USNR.

2000-2400

2000 Anchored as before.
2003 Secured from unloading rockets from boat #3.

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2145 Called General Quarters.
2345 Secured from General Quarters.
2400 Watch properly relieved by Ensign J.S. Siders, USNR.

I.W. Ballen
Lt(jg) USNR

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UNITED STATES SHIP L.S.T. 661 Wednesday (Day) 27 (Date) September (Month), 1944

0000-0400

0000 Anchored as before in berth 13 Kossol Passage, Palau Islands in 19 fathoms of water with 60 fathoms of chain on the bow anchor on the following bearing: right tangent of Ngariunge Island 029°t, Mt. Augon light 179°t, tripod 099°t.
0400 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) H.L. Stenger, USNR. No further remarks.

J.S. Siders
Ensign, USNR

0400-0800

0400 Anchored as before.
0745 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt(jg) USNR

0800-1200

0800 Anchored as before.
0800 Mustered crew at Quarters - no absentees, held colors.
0929 Small boat #4, Hanson as coxswain shoved off for USS WADLEIGH(DD689)
0940 Small boat #2, Gale as coxswain shoved off for AE-3.
1001 Small boat #4 returned and was hoisted aboard.
1200 Watch properly relieved by Ensign B.C. Norton, USNR.

J.J. Upson
Lt(jg) USNR

1200-1600

1200 Anchored as before.
1253 Small boat #2 returned from the USS AE-3 and was hoisted aboard.
1400 Dispatched small boats 2,3,4, and 6 to the USS SHASTA for temporary duty transporting ammunition.
1600 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) I.W. Ballen, USNR.

B.C. Norton
Ensign, USNR

1600-1800

1600 Anchored as before.
1725 Small boat #6 returned to ship.
1600 By order of the Commanding Officer, DI ZEBBA, Michael Anthony, S2c, 836 90 09 was placed in solitary confinemant on bread and water for twelve days with one full ration every third day, in execution of sentence of Deck Court.
1745 Watch properly relieved by Ensign Siders.

I.W. Ballen
Lt(jg) USNR

1800-2000

1800 Anchored as before.
1800 Small boat #3 returned to the ship having been secured by the USS SHASTA.
2000 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) H.L. Stenger, Jr. USNR. NO further remarks.

J.S. Siders
Ensign, USNR.

2000-2400

2000 Anchored as before.
2400 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
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UNITED STATES SHIP LST 661 Thursday (Day) 28 (Date) September (Month), 1944

0000-0400

0000 Anchored as before in Kossol Passage, Palau Islands with 60 fathoms of chain on the bow anchor in 19 fathoms of water-berth 13. The following bearing were taken: right tangent Mgariung Island 029°t, Mt.Angon lighthouse 179°t, Tripod 099°t.

0400 Watch properly relieved by Ensign B.C. Norton, USNR.

J.J. Upson
Lt(jg) USNR

0400-0800

0400 Anchored as before.
0520 Dispatched small boats 2,3, and 6 to the USS LASSEN(AE3) for temporary duty transporting ammunition.
0730 Dispatched small boat #5 to the USS INGERSOLL( ) for temporary duty transporting supplies.
0800 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) I.W. Ballen, USNR.

B.C. Norton
Ensign, USNR

0800-1200

0800 Anchored as before.
0800 Small boat #4 returned to ship from USS SHASTA.
0959 Small boat #4 left for USS LASSEN for duty.
1145 Watch properly relieved by Ensign J.S. Siders.

I.W. Ballen
Lt(jg) USNR

1200-1600

1200 Anchored as before.
1210 Called away special sea and anchor detail.
1211 Made all preparations for getting underway.
1220 The following named men in obedience to verbal orders from SOPA were transferred to the USS WADLEIGH with gear, records and transfer papers:
MOTON, RICHARD ODELL, 835 78 34, SK3c, USNR.
MacKINNON, JOHN JEFFERSON, 706 98 25, Slc, USNR.
McMAHON, PAUL CAREY, 822 60 21, Slc, USNR.
1220 Got underway from berth 13 Kossol Passage in obedience to verbal orders from SOPA, Executive Officer at the conn, stood up the harbor on various courses and speeds.
1325 Moored starboard side of USS ARB2 in berth 43, Kossol Passage, Palau Islands.
1329 USS SUNSEE moored alongside to starboard.
1329 Secured special sea and anchor detail, secured main engines.
1350 In pursuant to order from CTF 32 the the following Officers and the men on the attached list were transferred to the USS ARB2 with records, transfer papers and gear:
MERSHEN, Aaron J. Lt(jg) D-V(G), 228102, USNR.
SUTHERLAND, Samuel L. Jr., Ensign DE-V(G), 341670, USNR.
HENDERSON, Wyatt C., Ensign, D-V(G), 338412, USNR.
1350 Commenced transferring to the USS ARB2 and the USS SUNSEE the gear which had been received from the USS WADLEIGH.
1453 Called away special sea and anchor detail.in order to move ahead 20 feet, started main engines.
1600 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) H.A. Stenger, Jr. USNR. No further remarks.

J.S. Siders
Ensign, USNR

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ADDITIONAL REMARKS

1600-1800

1600 Moored as before. Transferring materials salvaged from USS WADLEIGH(DD689) to USS OCEANUS(ARB2) and USS MUNSEE(AT107).
1645 Called away special sea detail. Made all preparations for getting underway.
1707 USS MUNSEE UNMOORED from starboard and stood off to anchorage.
1710 Unmoored from starboard of USS OCEANUS (ARB2). Standing off from anchorage #43 at various courses and speeds to reverse mooring position on USS OCEANUS Executive Officer on the conn.
1754 Darkened ship.
1800 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt(jg) USNR.

1800-2000

1800 Moored starboard side to bow and stern(ARB2) USS OCEANUS.
1802 After spring line carried away-unable to hold.
1803 Underway from ARB2.
1845 Anchored in Kossol Passage in 17 fathoms of water with 70 fathoms of chain on the bow anchor.
1830 Secured special sea detail.
1930 Mustered the 8 o'clock reports - all divisions reported secure.
2000 Watch properly relieved by Ensign B.C. Norton, USNR.

J.J. Upson
Lt(jg) USNR

2000-2400

2000 Anchored as before.
2400 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) Ballen, USNR.

B.C. Norton
Ensign, USNR

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UNITED STATES SHIP L.S.T. 661 Friday (Day) 29 (Date) September (Month), 1944

0000-0400

0000 Anchored in Kossol Passage, Berth #42 in 17 fathoms of water with seventy fathoms of chain.
0400 Watch properly relieved by Ensign Siders.

I.W. Ballen
Lt(jg) USNR

0400-0800

0400 Anchored as before.
0445 Started the main engines.
0500 Call away special sea and anchor detail.
0502 Made all preparations for getting underway.
0535 Got underway from Berth #42 Kossol Passage, Palau Islands and stood up harbor on various courses and speeds, Executive Officer at the conn.
0627 Moored port side of USS ARB2 in Berth #43.
0709 Secured special aea and anchor detail, secured the main engines.
0720 Small boats 2,3, and 4 returned to the ship, having been secured by the USS LASSEN.
0800 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) H.L. Stenger, Jr., USNR. No further remarks.

J.S. Siders
Ensign, USNR

0800-1200

0800 Moored as before.
0815 Mustered crew on stations. No absentees.
0900 Transferred torpedo mount #1 to USS OCEANUS(ARB2).
1045 Called away special sea detail. Made all preparations for getting underway.
1050 Completed transfer of torpedo mount #2 to USS OCEANUS (ARB2).
1115 Unmoored from starboard side USS OCEANUS (ARB2) and stood out through Kossol Passage on various courses and speeds conforming to the channel entrance. Executive Officer on the conn. Underway in compliance with CTG 32.9 despatch orders for Pelelui Island, Palau Islands.
1135 Small boat #3 hoisted aboard.
1137 Pumped ballast out of tank A-404-W.
1142 Established contact with escort, USS GILLESPIE(DD609)
1150 Set course 150°t, 151°pgc, speed full (270rpm) to make good 10 knots.
1200 Secured special sea detail. Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt.(jg), USNR.

1200-1600

1210 Underway as before-passed entrance buoy to Kossol Passage.
1210 Increased speed to 285rpm, 10 knots.
1215 C/C 090°pgc, 089°t, 096°psc.
1221 c/c 151pgc, 150°t, 152°psc.
1231 Increased speed to 300 rpm, 10.5 knots.
1250 c/c 181pgc, 180t, 184psc.
1507 c/c 229°pgc, 228°t, 223psc.
1600 Watch properly relieved by Ensign B.C. Norton, USNR.

J.J. Upson
Lt(jg) USNR

1600-1800

1600 Underway on courses 228°t, 229°pgc, 223°psc. speed 10.5 knots(300rpm).
1631 Changed course to 235°t, 236°pgc, 228°psc.
1744 Changed course to 250°t, 251°pgc, 241psc.
1800 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) I.W. Ballen, USNR.

B.C. Norton
Ensign, USNR

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1800-2000

1800 Underway as before on course 251°pgc, 241°psc, 250°t, speed 10.5 knots (300rpm)
1820 Change speed to 9 knots(240rpm)
1828 Change course to 090°t, 091°pgc, 096°psc.
1838 Change speed to 7.5 knots(200rpm).
1910 Change course to 045°t, 046°pgc, 040.5°psc.
1927 Change course to 270°t, 271°pgc, 260°psc.
1950 Change course to 284°t, 285°pgc, 271°psc.
2000 Watch properly relieved by Ensign J.S. Siders, USNR.

I.W. Ballen
Lt(jg) USNR.

2000-2400

2000 Underway as before.
2008 Stopped all engines.
2015 Laying to off of Pelelui Island, Palau Islands, on various course and speeds.
2345 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) H.L. Stenger, Jr. USNR. No further remarks.

J.S. Siders
Ensign, USNR.

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UNITED STATES SHIP LST 661 Saturday 30 September, 1944
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0000-0400

0000 Underway on strait between Peleliu and Anguar Islands, Palau, standing off on various courses and speeds to maintain a position bearing 268°t from steady white light on Anguar and 330°t from steady white light on Peleliu Island.
0400 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
Lt(jg) USNR.

0400-0800

0400 Underway as before on various courses and speeds standing off Peleliu Island, Palau. Weather stormy.
0535 Underway for passage between Peleliu and Angaur Islands, speed 1/3, 355pgc, 354t. Executive Officer on conn.
0611 c/s to all ahead 2/3.
c/c 015pgc 014t.
0613 c/s to all ahead starboard 240rpm.
0620 c/c to 060pgc 059t, 062psc.
0621 c/s to all engines ahead full 10 knots (270rpm). Underway at various courses and speeds to maintain position 1 mile off Scarlet Beach, Peleliu.
0800 Watch properly relieved by B.C. Norton, Ens. USNR.

J.J. Upson
Lt(jg) USNR.

0800-1200

0800 Underway as before.
0958 Lt. W,P. Turner, MC, USNR returned on board and resumed his regular duties , having completed his regular duties on board the USS LST 267.
1048 Made all preparations for beaching on Purple Beach, Peleliu, Palau Islands, Executive Officer at the conn.
1146 Secured from beaching operations without beaching ship due to navigational difficulties and resumed standing off Purple Beach at various courses and speeds.
1200 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) Ballen.

B.C. Norton
Ens. USNR.

1200-1600

1200 Underway as before on various courses and speeds off Purple Beach, Peleliu, Palau Islands.
1256 Moored starboard to MORMACPORT.
1323 Unmoored from MORMACPORT. and standing away at various courses and speeds.
1400 Small boat #2 shoved off for LST 607 on mail trip.
1420 Moored portside to MORMACPORT.
1513 Unmoored from MORMACPORT and standing off at various courses and speeds off Purple Beach, Peleliu, Palau Islands.
1550 Small boat #2 returned to ship.
1600 Watch properly relieved by Ens. J.S. Siders.

I.W. Ballen
Lt(jg) USNR

1600-1800

1600 Underway as before on various courses and speeds standing off Purple Beach, Peleliu Island, Palau Islands.
1626 USS LCT 858 came along side to port.
1640 USS LCT 858 shoved off from port side.
1800 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) H.L. Stenger, Jr. USNR.

J.S. Siders
Ens. USNR.

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1800-2000

1800 Underway as before, standing off Purple Beach, Peleliu Island, Palau, on various courses and speeds to maintain position two miles off shore.

2000 Watch properly relieved by Lt(jg) J.J. Upson, USNR. No further remarks.

H.L. Stenger, Jr.
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Lt(jg) USNR.

2000-2400

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